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## FULL FLEDGED COLONEL.

Claude L. Walker, of this city, is now officially among the real Kentucky Colonels, having received appointment Monday from Gov. J. B. McCreary as colonel on the governor's staff. The honor came as quite a pleasant surprise to Col. Walker, who is now being showered with con-



gratulations from his many friends. Col. Walker is manager of the Mangel Box Co., of this city, president of the Kentucky Club and affiliated with a dozen different enterprises of Hickman. He is a live wire and worthy of the honor bestowed upon him by the Governor.

## STRAYED OR STOLEN.

Strayed or stolen, about March 22 a bay horse, 15½ hands high, weight about 1,000, black mane and tail, about 10 years old, foretop recently trimmed out, and is combined saddle and harness horse.

Liberal reward for his return or information leading to his recovery. Notify E. P. Pollock, Hickman, Ky.

## FAMILY REUNION.

M. D. Hardin is entertaining at his home in West Fulton a large crowd of his relatives today at a family reunion. More than sixty people sat down to a most delightful dinner today—all relatives.

The following brothers and sisters of the host are guests:

J. W. and Stull Hardin, of Beeler-ton; Rev. James Hardin, of Mnako-gee, Okla.; Rev. Otto Hardin and Rev. Pop Hardin, of Hickman; Mrs. John Kober and Mrs. Robert Kober, of Water Valley.—Fulton Leader.—Tuesday.

At the First Methodist Church next Sunday will be all the usual services. General invitation is extended. Members are urged to attend, and invite others to come and give them a greeting when they come. The revival meeting will begin April 7—Easter Sunday. That morning Rev. V. C. Waters, presiding elder, will preach. He will hold Quarterly Conference in the church Monday evening, after the sermon, April 8. At First Hickman Chapel, services every Friday evening at 7:30 and Sunday School every Sunday afternoon at 2:30.

The only bill that remained on the Governor's desk unsigned was Senate bill No. 129, making it unlawful to purchase furnish or procure intoxicating liquors in local option territory. The law does not require that the Governor shall give any written reason for failing to sign a bill put before him by the Assembly, and Gov. McCreary allowed the bill of Senator Frost to go upon the statute books without his signature.

Neville Honey, agent for the Saturday Evening Post, will be glad to take your subscription for the Post, Ladies Home Journal or Country Gentleman, or he will deliver any of the above to you each week.

Burglars broke into the store of G. W. Utterback at Oakton Friday night, but evidently they were looking for money as none of the stock was taken.

C. E. Dean, an employe of the Mangel Box Co., had his left wrist painfully injured Tuesday afternoon, when it was caught in a truck.

FOR SALE AT ONCE—One million extra fine cypress shingles.—C. M. Yates Shingle Co.

L. A. Stone orders the Courier sent to Miss Ruth Stone, at Okmulgee, Oklahoma.

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## RURAL PARCELS POST.

The advocates of the rural parcels post claim that this system of merchandise transportation would enable the farmer to have small packages of merchandise delivered at his mail box quickly and cheaply.

No one disputes this—but there are two more sides to the question. Here is one:

Every rural delivery carrier is now authorized to carry merchandise parcels weighing over four pounds from your farm to town or from town to your farm—and you or the town man pay the carrier whatever you agree is right. The proposed postage charge would average much higher than what

you would pay under the present system of local delivery. Now there is no maximum weight limit, for the carrier can take anything for you that he is able to carry, but it is proposed to limit the weight to eleven pounds only. This would greatly curtail the delivery privileges now open to every farmer who desires to use them and make delivery cost him more than under the present method.

Here is another side of the question—the side seen by your good friends the home merchants.

Big-city merchants of all kinds would be quick to seize the rural parcels post as a delivery outlet, through the use of local agents, to whom parcels would be shipped in large quantities

by express or freight for deposit in the local postoffice and delivery by rural carriers. There is absolutely no way in which this could be prevented.

The opportunity thus afforded these mail-order houses for the development of a gigantic trust is a most serious menace to the farmer's welfare. Every necessary of life could in time be monopolized through this government postal subsidy, taxed against all the people and applied for the sole benefit of the mail-order trust. Already Wall Street sees the trend of events and "big business" has become interested in fostering and financing the parcels post agitation. Its appetite has been stimulated by the results of the past few years, which have en-

abled one mail order house to pay an annual dividend of 7 per cent on its many millions of capital, and recently to declare a special dividend of 33 1-3 per cent. What farmer can ever hope to equal that record?

The big-city mail-order merchants pay no taxes of any kind—direct or indirect—in Hickman or this community. They do not help maintain our schools, churches, libraries, hospitals and other public institutions. They do not help you build and maintain good roads. They do not give you credit and they give you neither sympathy nor help when misfortune comes. These big-city merchants have absolutely no interest in you, excepting to get hold of as many of

your dollars as they can and give as little return as possible.

Furthermore, the big-city merchant does not help in any way to maintain and build up the home market for your products that enables you to get spot cash or its equivalent for everything you have to sell. Your location near such a town increases the value of your farm and makes that farm easy to sell as full value whenever you desire.

You appreciate the fact that the farmer trade keeps up the country towns and that any system—such as the parcels post—which will divert the farmer trade from the country town to the big city will ruin the country town.

If the country town is ruined, the farmer's home market will be destroyed or at least very seriously impaired. Property values in the country towns would certainly depreciate as store after store was forced out of business and greater burdens of taxation would be placed upon the farmer's overburdened shoulders. Lack of funds raised by taxation would curtail the schools of the country towns. Churches now so largely supported by the home merchants could no longer be kept supplied with ministers, unless the farmer members heavily increased their contributions. Public spirit would be destroyed, public institutions would suffer and public improvements become a thing of the past.

The plain fact is that the interests of the farmer and the home merchant are mutual. They are partners in the business of production and distribution—in the upbuilding and maintenance of the best possible home market. And the best home market is one that buys everything the farmer has to sell at top market prices and sells him everything he needs at fair competitive prices.

Therefore, Mr. Farmer, stand by your home merchants now as you would expect them to stand by you. In doing this you are conserving your best interests.

A pain in the side or back that catches you when you straighten up calls for rubbing application of BAL-LARD'S SNOW LINIMENT. It relaxes the contracted muscles and permits ordinary bodily motion without suffering or inconvenience. Price 25c 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Hickman Drug Co.

## ROLL OF HONOR.

In the second examination in Tyler school, the following are the names of the third grade pupils who made the highest average:

Flaudie West	98.2
Maggie Beckham	98.0
Tosco West	96.0
Alphonsa O'Daniel	95.7
Elzy Owens	95.5
Leonard Adams	94.8
Roy Stevens	94.8

Miss Callista Mann, of Brownsville, Tenn., a half sister of Mrs. W. A. Johnston, will undergo an operation at Memphis today. Miss Mann has been an invalid for a number of years. She has gradually grown worse of late and it is thought the operation is necessary. Mrs. Johnston will go to Memphis with her sister.

Former policeman John Lewis, of Mayfield, who was serving a two year sentence in the Eddyville prison for killing James Puckett in Mayfield in the summer of 1908, was pardoned by Governor McCreary Friday. Puckett was shot while running away from Lewis, who had arrested him on a bootlegging charge.

Our line of clothing is complete in every respect and we have 500 suits in all the latest weaves and colors to select from. We earnestly invite you to our store and assure you we will save you money on each and every purchase bought of us.—Sullivan Bros

On account of the prevalence of smallpox at Water Valley, the Union City District Conference of the Methodist Church, which was to have been held there, will be held at Greenfield, Tenn., beginning April 23.

The city council of Martin, Tenn., has passed an ordinance forbidding the running at large of chickens in the city.

FOR SALE: Banded Plymouth Rock eggs for setting. 19 for \$1.00.—Mrs. R. B. Seearce, Cayce, Ky.

Seed Potatoes—\$1.75 to \$2.00 a bushel cash at Battersworth & Prather's. All the good variety.

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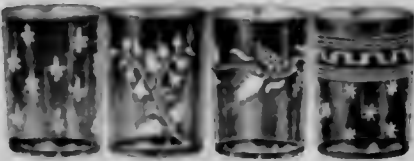


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IDLE IN ENGLAND**

BRITISH CABINET HAS LITTLE SUCCESS IN SETTLING STRIKE.

**MINERS ARE BREAKING AWAY**

Railroad Will Have to Abolish All Passenger Service if Strike Is Not Settled—Some of Cotton Mills at Lancashire Resume.

London.—Premier Asquith and his ministers have pleaded alternately with the mine owners and the miners without being able to move either party one inch from their positions.

The twenty-fifth day of the coal strike ends with nearly 3,000,000 workers idle, many thousands dependent upon charity to keep them from starvation, every manufacturing industry in the land undergoing a throttling and settlement apparently as remote as ever.

The position of the government is that it cannot put the 5 and 2 shillings clause into the bill without creating a precedent that would be quoted by every trades union in the country as justifying their own wages should be fixed at their own figure by parliament. The ministers are divided on the subject, but the majority, supported by a majority of the Liberals and all the Unionists, are resolute against creating such a precedent.

The miners are equally firm in refusing to return to work unless they are guaranteed 5 shillings for adults and 2 for boys in the bill or by an agreement with the mine owners. They say that they have already given in on the major questions of the miners' wages and claim that the owners should give way in their turn on the 5 shillings minimum.

The mine owners reply that while many mines can afford to pay 5 shillings and 2 shillings, there are others that cannot. They refuse, therefore, to yield to any authority save that of an act of parliament, which the ministers, for reasons stated, refuse to pass.

Many of the chapels and all schools in Cardiff and its vicinity have organized soup kitchens where the poor can obtain a meager nourishment. Labor yards have been opened by the authorities, and many of the men are there earning a small amount daily.

Officials of the municipalities are trying to relieve the women and children in one district alone in South Wales 400 unemployed workmen have applied to the parish poor authorities for relief. Throughout Wales the army of unemployed continues to increase in every branch of industry.

All passenger trains on many railroads will stop running next Monday if the strike is not settled. Hospitals are running short of coal to warm the wards or to cook food for the patients, and distress funds are being raised to save women and children from starvation.

#### NOTICE.

I have sold my interest in the Hammond—Allen Furniture Co., in West Hickman, and take this means of notifying those interested that the partnership has been dissolved since Jan. 30th, 1912.—E. A. Hammond.

## 105 MINERS GO DOWN TO DEATH

TERRIFIC EXPLOSION OCCURS IN OKLAHOMA MINE.

WRECKAGE STOPS RESCUE

Mining Town Thrown Into Scene of Bedlam When News of Explosion Spreads—Little Hope of Finding Men Alive.

Fort Smith, Ark.—Out of a total of 116 men who entered mine No. 2 of the Sans Bois Coal Company, at McMurran, Okla., 37 miles west of Fort Smith, only 11 are known to be alive, and absolutely all hope has been given up for the others. A gas explosion wrecked the mine, piled hundreds of tons of wreckage in the path of the half hundred rescuers who are at work searching the ruined entries for the entombed men. The explosion was the most terrible in its horrifying results that has occurred in the mining history of the Southwest, and the 5,000 people at the little mining camp which nestles among the Sans Bois Mountains are dazed to such an extent that they scarcely realize the extent of the disaster.

Superintendent A. A. Brown, who was one of the first to reach the mouth of the mine slope, following the explosion gave up all hope of seeing any of his miners still in the bowels of the earth alive again.

Heroin almost unbelievable is being recorded by the band of rescuers, who are exerting every effort to reach the entombed men. The eight men who escaped from the inferno through the mule passage are among the leaders of the rescue party. Scenes in the little coal camp are almost indescribable. About the mouth of the slope hundreds of women with children tugging at their skirts are shouting words of encouragement to the rescuers. The groans and cries of the widows and orphans can be heard a block away. Occasionally a woman is seen to drop to her knees and offer a prayer. Twenty-five bodies have been located in entry No. 12.

### ROOSEVELT GETS A FALL

Mishap Forces Him to Show Heels to Audience.

Portland, Me.—With a resounding crash, the immense stage of the Auditorium collapsed here letting Col. Roosevelt down with it. The ex-president had entered the hall just a moment before. A throng of 3,000 that jammed the Auditorium was standing upon chairs, waving hats and handkerchiefs and cheering the colonel madly.

Roosevelt waved at the crowd, and had just taken his seat in a chair toward the middle of the stage when the flooring of the platform began to sag. A ripping sound, followed by a gigantic crash, echoed through the hall. The platform fell to the floor level. Col. Roosevelt, who had grasped the sides of his chair when the warning was sounded and had tried to rise, was precipitated backward. He clung desperately to the chair.

#### Will Exploit South.

Annapolis, Md.—Two bills were introduced in the legislature in connection with the Southern development and demonstration organization which was formed here recently to exploit the South. One was a bill of incorporation and the other provided for an appropriation of \$20,000 for the organization, which will depend upon contributions of states, railroads and transportation companies, boards of trade and industries and individuals to maintain it.

Miss Augusta Paschal, and T. N. Fulton, two popular young people of Fulton, were united in marriage last Monday evening, Rev. W. T. Bolling officiating.

Pittsburg Coal.—A. A. Faris.



## Exclusive Styles In Fashionable FOOTWEAR For Easter

Now's the time to select your Spring supply of Shoes. Easter is hastening forward, the breath of Spring is in the air. Winter shoes must be discarded, and you need a pair or so of stunning low shoes to begin the season. Our Spring showing of exclusive Footwear is attracting wide attention. No matter what you may think of paying for your Spring Shoes, you will be sure to find a better pair here for THAT same price.

#### MISSES'

Straps and Colonial Pumps in all leathers.

HOSIERY—Our showing of Spring Hosiery is worthy, in every particular, of your attention.

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#### FOR BOYS

We are showing a complete new line of Spring Oxfords in all styles at

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### HAD GROWN TIRED OF HIM

Grace Says This Is Why His Wife Shot Him.

Newman, Ga.—In addition to wanting the insurance money I made payable to her at her husband's death, she had grown tired of me. I had noticed that for several weeks before she shot me. I wasn't interested in her any longer, so at one and the same time she thought she would get rid of me and secure the money.

This was the statement of Eugene H. Grace, the victim of the mysterious shooting case in Atlanta. He made it after being reminded of doctors' repeated assertions that he had but a few weeks to live.

#### Wiley Matter Shelved.

Washington.—Senator Martine's resolution expressing the regret of the senate over the retirement of Dr. Wiley as chief chemist of the agricultural department was shelved by the senate. The New Jersey senator moved its adoption, but Mr. Martine of Virginia offered a substitute referring the resolution to the committee on agriculture, and the substitute prevailed.

#### Fastest Dreadnought.

Rickland, Me.—The fastest dreadnought in the American navy and probably in the world, is the title claimed for the government-built battleship Florida, which made 22.54 knots on her standardization trip off the Rockland course. The British dreadnought Vanguard with a record of 22.50, has been considered previously the fleetest battleship of the world, and the Florida's sister ship, Utah, built at a private yard, made a record of 21.63 on her fastest trial run.

#### Mexican Troops Defeated.

Mexico City.—Apparently reliable messages received by El Imparcial report a complete federal defeat at Jiminas. Gen. Gonzalez Salas, commander-in-chief of the federal army, is reported to have committed suicide. Both Gens. Blanquet and Tellez are reported wounded. Other officers were killed and 57 officers taken prisoners to Chihuahua, together with many privates. In the rebel camp the federal dead were estimated at 400 and the rebel mortality at 100. The estimate of the government losses is based on interviews with prisoners taken.

#### Great Strain on Levees.

Washington.—Flood warnings have been issued for the Ohio and Mississippi valleys and the valleys of the Roanoke and Neuse rivers in North Carolina and the Trinity river valley in Texas. It is estimated the Mississippi river will reach a depth of 39 feet above flood stage, by Saturday, with a further slow rise for several days after that. The strain on the levees at Memphis and other points will be very great. The Ohio river, swelled by the spring rains, shows a tremendous volume of water below the mouth of the Great Kanawha.

Evangelist M. L. Blaney preaches at Hickman the first and second Sundays in each month and at Dyersburg the third and fourth Sundays. He preaches next Sunday at Dyersburg and the following Sunday he will preach at Hickman. Be sure to read the subject announced in the Christian Church Bulletin in another column in this paper.

Any Confederate Veteran or descendant of veterans deserving Cross of Honor apply to Mrs. Maggie Randle for blanks within the next 30 days. No crosses will be given after Nov. 1912. 3t

Stringless snap beams—as good as new ones from the garden, only 15c a can at Betterworth & Prather. Extra fine peas at 20c.

### HOGWALLOW DOINGS.

Poke Mazley says he bets the fellow that writes all these patent medicine testimonials is a smart man.

The Hog Ford preacher next Sunday in his sermon will preach on the Blue and Pall of Gander creek.

Slip Pickens is fortifying himself against the early spring rains by purchasing a storm-proof celluloid collar.

The Mail Carrier has warned all of his patrons along the route that hereafter postal cards must be written in plain handwriting.

The Ladies of the Dog Hill Church will give a supper one night next week to raise money with which to buy a dipper for the claret.

The Wild Onion School Teacher has hung Bryan's picture in the school room, and the scholars say they are going to vote for him when they get grown.

With the coming of spring Luke Mathews will begin to move around and change seats often in order to prevent the wrens from building in his coat pockets.

On his trip to Rye Straw this week the Mail Carrier put blinders on his bridle, to prevent his mule from looking back, he having Miss Hostetter Hocks in the buggy with him.

Poke Mazley and Fletcher Honeypot got into a fight Tuesday morning. Poke rushed away after a fence rail, but he was so long in finding one that he was in a good humor by the time he got back.

The Excelsior Fiddling Band has been improved both in appearance and ability to make music by the addition of Cricket Hicke to the organization. Cricket will play the French horn and pat his foot.

Frisky Hancock is remodeling his hog pen so that it will in every way conform to the pure food law. Instead of building it flat on the ground he waited and begun it about two feet up in the air, giving the bottom ample ventilation.

Jefferson Potlocks has been invited to attend a birthday celebration over on the far side of Musket Ridge next week. The feature of the event will be a big dinner and for this occasion Jefferson has twisted his whiskers back out of the way.

The Blind man from the Calf Hills neighborhood played one of his long-winded dusty pieces on the fiddle at the Dog Hill church last Sunday. The preacher was aiming to deliver a sermon, but the Blind Man did not get through in time.

A play was given at the Tickville opera house the other night. In the second and fifth acts three people were killed by the villain. The coroner at Tickville attended the show, and lost fifteen dollars by all of the dead ones coming to life again in the last act.

A debate was held at Bounding Billows Saturday night, and was enjoyed by many from this section. The subject was: Resolved, Will Roosevelt be Elected? The affirmative won unanimously. However, the decision will not interfere with the regular election.

As soon as Raz Barlow can make

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the necessary financial arrangement he will go on a trip to Tickville to redress a letter that is being held there by the government pending the payment of one-cent additional postage. Max considers the government as being mighty little.

Columbus Allsop and Fit Smith engaged in what looked like a serious difficulty in front of the blacksmith shop Monday morning. It was a quiet affair, only a few intimate friends of the contracting parties being present. The trouble came up over a remark by Fit to the effect that Columbus was growing old.

Sidney Hocks had a narrow escape from jail at Thunderation a few nights ago. Wanting a drink of water during the night he quietly left the jail unbeknownst to the jailer, and made his way down to the pond, and when he returned he found the jail door had blown to and fastened. He found it impossible to get in without the use of violence, so he went to the blacksmith shop, and after procuring a hammer and chisel he soon had the door open. He entered without the jailer ever being any wiser.

Cricket Hicke, who is somewhat of a student of nature, brings in the report that a flock of wild geese lit in a pond on Musket Ridge the other day just as the water was freezing and got their feet caught tight. Realizing their helpless condition he gathered up a lot of old rails, he says, and built a big fire under the lee to thaw the geese loose. This is the first time we have heard much from Cricket since he became overworked last fall, and gave up his job of ringing the bell at the Tickville Church every fourth Sunday.—Kentuckian.

It is not too early for the Kentucky Club to take up the matter of a 4th of July celebration for this year. It is now five years since we have gone to any trouble to bring the crowd to Hickman. The 4th will come on Thursday—a good day, seemingly, for everybody. Any day in the week will not suit some of our citizens, but turn the difference, we celebrate.

Mrs. Nannie Kingman and Mrs. H. H. Wilson returned Thursday of last week from Louisville, where Mrs. Wilson has been in a sanatorium for several weeks.

Don Corum was here last week from Arkansas, visiting his family. Don Corum is running a saw mill in that state.

John Fethe spent a few days last week with Capt. Leo Campbell in Cairo and friends in Mound City.

Mrs. Kate Webb Smith returned last Thursday from St. Louis where she has been for several weeks.

E. F. Bouldin, of Memphis, has accepted a position with the Memphis Box Co., as chief millwright.

EGGS—Full stock Rhode Island Red eggs at 75c a setting of 14. Nannie Self, Rd 1.

The Finest Face Cream—Fortune's Witch Hazel Cream. For sale by Cowgills Drug Store.

Holla Kirk and Dick Smith went to Claiborne Landing last week. They were gone several days.

Mrs. J. M. Crutchfield died at her home in Fulton, Saturday. She was 56 years old.

In the long run Pittsburg coal is cheaper. Get your order in now.—A. A. Faris.

J. A. Crozier, of O. L. Bartlett Co. of Mound City, was here Saturday on business.

Capt. L. D. Tullis is on the Mound Tug this week during his stay at home.

Frank Von Borries went to Louisville Tuesday on business.

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## Some Men

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## Flower Lovers

We will have on display in pot flowers April 3rd

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Owing to the past bad weather we'll exhibit a nice variety of flowers.

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# RIVER STILL RISING

Mississippi Out of Banks and More Water Coming. May Set New High-water Mark. Working on Levees Night and Day. River 40 Miles Wide.

## PEOPLE FLEEING FROM LOW LANDS TO SAFETY

Highest Stage Since 1882. Damage Already Reaches Thousands of Dollars. Levees Still Holding but a North or West Wind Would Make Trouble.

The Mississippi river is higher now than it has been for many years, and is causing no little anxiety to the citizens of both Hickman and the lower end of the county. In many places between Hickman and Cairo, the river is said to be almost forty miles wide, and thousands of acres of lowlands are covered to a depth of from three to fifteen feet.

**Testing the Levees.**  
We are now having our first real test of the Government levee and the new levee recently built around West Hickman.

It is thought these levees will bear the strain. The government levee is said three feet higher at its lowest point than the water level, and since water and "boils" have given them no more trouble than the ordinary high water. But this is the highest the water has ever been on the embankments.

The new city levee is not more than 12 inches above the water today, but it is being reinforced by crews working night and day. Since Monday a special train has been engaged in hauling sand, and thousands of sand bags have been placed at the weak points, which for the most part is under the N., C. & St. L. tracks between the depot and the Mengel yards. When the water reached the level of the old road bed it struck a layer of clinders through which it has been oozing for several days, letting in a lot of water. This cannot be altogether stopped, and is gradually filling the low places in West Hickman.

The first trouble experienced with this levee was last week, when the water backed up through the sewers, which should serve as a reminder that gates should be placed in each sewer at the next opportunity. With the accumulation of rain water and high water, it will be hard to tell just how much water will get into the west end of town before the end of another week. It is safe to say, if

the rain continues, and the river holds its present level for another week, that there will be a lot of water in West Hickman.

**Danger From Wind.**  
The gravest danger in connection with the levees is the development of a strong north or west wind. The government levee would stand a better show to hold than the city levee in that case. It would take only moderate sized waves to lap over the city levee. This has been anticipated and sand bags have been placed in readiness for use. On a moment's notice the crews of the railroads, the city, the Mengel force and hundreds of volunteer citizens could be on the scene. In fact, a large crew of men have been on this work night and day for a week.

**Seems in Good Shape.**  
The government levee below town is thought to be in excellent shape, all things considered. Men are stationed one mile apart on the levee's entire length. These men make hourly reports to each, and form a human telephone line. A system of signals has also been arranged in case of trouble, which will summon additional help. This signal will be a huge gun, or rather anvil shots.

**People Moving Out.**  
Hundreds of people have left the bottoms during the past week. The extra precaution will do no harm. If the worst should happen, the lower end of the county would be covered to an average depth of ten feet, which, of course, would be disastrous to both life and property. The Courier would not attempt to advise those living behind the levee in the matter of moving to higher ground. Some say it is best to move out—others, in a position to know, think the levee is absolutely safe and there is no immediate danger. People who are in a position to do so, would guarantee themselves absolute safety by seeking higher ground.



## Beautiful Easter Millinery

Our Millinery Department is all aglow now with the newest fashions from all the style centers, together with our own creations. Numbers of Street Hats in every conceivable shape and color.

Charming hats for the girls are shown in a multitude of pretty styles, including a full range of both the kind for school and dressy wear.

Our Millinery this season is decidedly prettier and very much more varied than any previous stock we have ever offered, and another feature that will prove immensely pleasing is the reasonable prices at which you'll find everything marked. To this Millinery Show we bid you a most cordial welcome.

### Easter Silks

Most women will want a new Easter dress or waist, and we are showing a line that will make selection easy:

FIGURED FOULARDS	TUB SILKS
TAFFETAS	CHIFFONS
PONGEE	SATINS
	MESSATINES, etc.

in beautiful patterns, unusual qualities that you must see to appreciate. Our nobby new Foulards at \$1.00 are not to be surpassed in this section. Other qualities and kinds ranging in price from 75c to \$2.00.

### The Easter Gloves Are Ready

16-button plain silk Gloves, double tip, in black, white and colors, at.....1.00  
16-button silk embroidered Gloves double tip, in all the new Spring shades.....1.75  
12-button Mousquet Gloves, in white and champagne color...75c  
2-clasp silk Gloves, white and black, at.....50c

### Your Easter Costume

incomplete without a pair of Silk Hose.

Silk Hose at.....25c  
This is a new hose to many women. It is a weight sufficient to give satisfaction.  
Pure Silk Hose at.....50c  
In white, black and tan. The kind you expect to pay 65c to 75c for.  
Silk Hose at.....1.00 to 1.50  
These are excellent qualities, with all the improvements necessary to give satisfaction. All colors.

### Just a Little Different

You will find our Spring Oxfords.

Just a Little Different as to Style  
Just a Little Different as to Price  
Just a Little Different as to Quality  
Just a Little Different as to Character  
Just a Little Different from what the crowd wears



They are different from other Oxfords for comfort, appearance and fit, and last but not least, you know you are right on the important question of wear.

## SMITH & AMBERG

### Flower Lovers

We will have on display in pot flowers April 3rd

Easter Lilies  
Hydranges  
Hyacinths  
Spire  
Ferns

Owing to the past bad weather we'll exhibit a nice variety of flowers.

H. E. CURLIN  
House of Quality

#### River Still Rising.

Reports from Cairo this morning state that the water stands 50.5 on the government gauge—a rise of about 8 inches in the past 24 hours. The report also says that the river will go to 51 feet, if not more—depending largely upon the results of the present rains. Measurements at Hickman show that the water rose three inches last night which is considered a big rise on the present stage of water. Rains are reported general throughout the watershed. This may augment the volume of water in sight. Should it clear up today, it will be at least a week before the river will begin to fall, and

#### ROUTE NO. FIVE.

Little A. E. Caldwell, of Clayton, is on the sick list.  
Several from here attended the C. H. Bruer also at Clayton Monday.  
Huber Vaught, of Clayton, spent Sunday with Buck Escue and family.  
Rice Wilson was a caller at G. W. Donnell's, of Clayton, Sunday afternoon.  
Herbert Council, of near Rogers, was the guest of Press Vaught Monday night.  
Miss Eva Osburn was the guest of Mrs. Beckie Osburn at Spout Springs, a few days last week.  
Chas. Jordan and wife, of Rives, visited Chas. Osburn and family, of Spout Spring Sunday.  
Mrs. Lela Williams and sister, Miss Dora Howard spent Friday night with Chas. Caldwell and family, near Fremont.

his farewell sermon at Reelfoot Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Every one invited to attend.

Miss Maude Osborn returned to her home near Spout Springs Sunday, after spending a few months in Middle Tennessee visiting relatives.

Thursday evening of last week, Mrs. J. T. Stephens entertained quite a large number of friends at Rook. A salad course was served. The guests included Mesdames C. L. Walker, E. E. Reeves, C. S. Driver, L. A. Stone, Nim Walker, J. M. Hubbard, Henry Sanger, C. T. Bondurant, F. S. Moore, F. E. Case, G. W. Wilson, A. E. Kennedy, F. T. Randle, H. L. Amberg, A. A. Farls, W. C. Johnson, E. B. Prather, S. L. Dodds, W. H. Baltzer, C. F. Baltzer, J. O. Stubbs, P. B. Curlin, Oee Harris, S. M. Nalfeh, B. F. Gabby, T. A. Ledford, H. C. Barrett, Percy Jones, C. W. Curlin, C. G. Schlenker, J. O. West and J. H. Russell.

Onion Sets at Bettersworth and Prather's.  
Rev. Walton Stigler will deliver

The high water has proved quite disastrous for Gus Moore, who just recently bought a farm below Mengel outside of the levee. Mr. Moore had made a large number of improvements had put in a number of hot beds, and he thought they were above the high water mark. He had early vegetables about ready to market when the water came completely over them, washing them away and making all his work a total loss. Mr. Moore intended to start a market wagon from his truck patch this next week.

We lose laundry no more, as we have a marker and assorter who knows his business. We will have new machines in right away, which will enable us to do the very best of work. If your work isn't right, send it back and we will do it over free of charge.—Hickman Steam Laundry.

Miss Sallie Wright, of Mayfield, who has been visiting Mrs. D. B. Wilson and other friends here for several days, left Wednesday morning to visit in Paducah.

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### Living Close to Nature

Plenty of fresh air, exercise, good food and comfortable dress for the body, are the essentials for health.

Care of the feet is just as essential and important as the care of any other part of the body.

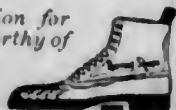
BURT & PACKARD'S

### "Korrek Shape" SHOES

meet all the requirements of proper foot dress, because they are built over models that are consistent with every line of the foot. Consequently, they render maximum fit and comfort.

All "Korrek Shape" shoes are equipped with wear resisting Tite-Oke Soles.

Our reputation for satisfying is worthy of consideration. Call today.



## E. C. Rice Cash Shoe Store

### DON'T BE BALD.

Nearly Any One May Secure a Splendid Growth of Hair.

We have a remedy that has aided to grow hair and prevented baldness in 93 out of 100 cases where used according to directions for a reasonable length of time. That may seem like a strong statement—it is, and we mean it to be, and no one should doubt it until they have put our claims to an actual test.

We are so certain Rexall "33" Hair Tonic will cure dandruff, prevent baldness, stimulate the scalp and hair roots, stop falling hair and grow new hair, that we personally give our positive guarantee to refund every penny paid us for it in every instance where it does not give entire satisfaction to the user.

Rexall "33" Hair Tonic is as pleasant to use as clear spring water. It is delightfully perfumed, and does not grease or gum the hair. Two sizes, 50c. and \$1.00. With our guarantee back of it, you certainly take no risk. Sold only at our store—The Rexall Store, The Hickman Drug Co.

### READY FOR BUSINESS.

The new electric Grist Mill is now ready for business. Located just across the street south of Kimbro's Hivery stable. All new and first class machinery. Good work and prompt service guaranteed.—G. R. INGRAM, Proprietor.

See those \$18.50 values in mens suits at Sullivan Bros. Their price is only \$13.50.

### RIVER STILL RISING

much depends upon the weather—especially the wind—during that time.

#### Traffic Tied Up.

The C., M. & G. tracks are under water in places between Hickman and Dyersburg and they have practically abandoned their schedule. The will attempt to run a train into this city today, and only one a day until the water recedes.

Lee Line boats, with the exception of one, are all out of commission, as most of the landings are flooded.

#### Buildings Flooded.

A number of warehouses between the river and railroad tracks here are flooded. W. A. Dodds and T. R. Reynolds will both lose hundreds of dollars worth of lumber, as a regular millrace passes through their river sheds.

The old Lee Line warehouse is out of commission, as water stands about five feet deep in the building. A. A. Harris' coal yard is under water and he can only reach his office in a boat. Water is now crawling slowly into the wagon factory, and will compel them to shut down in a short time.

For the first time in many years, the water has backed up through the sewers at Clinton street.

Mrs. Muscoville, who has resided near Chalk Bluff for 43 years, reports five inches of water in her home—and never before has it reached the house. Like reports come from the upper bottoms.

Reports from Columbus this morning say that it is doubtful if their small city levee protecting the town will hold through the day. If it does break, water will be four feet deep in every business house in Columbus.

The whole town is working on the levee, but has little hope of saving it.

Business is already on a standstill, and a foot more of water would cripple us for some time to come. The crisis will likely be passed between now and Sunday, and the Father of Waters will be watched with interest and apprehension during the next few days.

### HAPPY IN A SHED-LIKE HOME

Agad Kansas Women Can't Keep Warm in Old Shack—To Have New House.

Kansas City.—There is happiness in the little Kansas City, Kan., shack of loose boards and boxes that Grandma Bass calls home. The little woman, 78 years old, must sit shivering beside an old broken stove, but she does not complain. She is happy in the promise of the Kansas City, Kan., police that they will build her a new home, a home that at least will keep out the cold. And the haunting fear of the poorhouse, which she has had constantly with her the last two years, has vanished.

Formerly Grandma Bass was used to much better things. Even after the death of her husband several years ago thoughts of becoming a public charge did not enter her life. With the income she obtained by sewing and the money a son brought home for his work at the packing houses the little woman managed. Then the son developed tuberculosis and three years ago was forced to leave. He went up the Missouri river, where he



Grandma Bass' Home.

now is, living outdoors, attempting to regain strength.

Grandma Bass was not at home when visitors called. No smoke was coming from the tin stovepipe, which was stuck through a hole in the side of the little board and box shack, and the visitors could see no door at which to knock. Presently the visitors found one large board leaning against the shack in such a position that it was concluded it might be the "door." At the top the board was nailed to the wall. When it was pulled away a hole was revealed which led into a small dark room.

In the room, which had no floor other than the bare earth, was a table with broken legs, an old commode and a box which serves as a chair. Another small room adjoined the front one, and in it was an old bed on which were a thin blanket and a tattered comfort, and a broken bowled stove. A small pane of glass set insecurely in the side of the wall served as a window. The snow was drifting through the holes in the roof of the shack and the wind was blowing through chinks and holes in the walls.

The visitors started to leave. Up the railroad tracks a half-mile they came upon Grandma carrying a basket.

"Don't you nearly freeze in that little house?" she was asked.

"Well, it gets pretty chilly sometimes," she answered. "But I've got used to the cold. Once I would not believe I could stand living as I now live, but circumstances force a person to get used to everything," she said, smiling.



If YOU are not wearing



Your Shoe Money isn't giving you the most in style, fit, quality and comfort.

Dainty, exquisitely fashioned shoes, the best that skilled workmanship can produce. Topnotchers in style—sold at popular prices.

See the NEW ONES.

## Julia Marlowe Shoes For Women

For comfort and good wear there is none better. Come in and see them and we know the next pair of shoes you buy will be Julia Marlowe shoes.

**\$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50**

Our line is complete, and we have the best assortment to select from. We also carry everything that's up-to-date in the Dry Goods line. We are here to serve you.

## SUDE M. NAIFEH

ON THE CORNER

THE DRY GOODS MAN

John Stranford, of Union City, was here Tuesday.

Large can Lemon Cling Peaches, 25c.—Bettersworth & Prather.

Mrs. Rynum Parham and children visited in Union City last week.

Dr. Gill, first baseman of the Millers, arrived here this week from Kansas City, Mo.

The Minneapolis baseball club beat Memphis on the Hickman diamond Tuesday. Mgr. Cantillon had several new recruits in various positions and they worked well—especially the two young pitchers, Leverett and Comstock. After the fourth inning there was no effort made by the Millers to score any more runs. The feature of the game Tuesday was the batting of Kihlfer, who made a home run and two two-baggers. Wednesday the two teams played an exhibition game at Fulton which Minneapolis also won by the score of 5 to 4.

### FLOWER BULBS.

Canna bulbs, 70c a dozen, Caladium bulbs, monster size, 25c each. Tube Rose bulbs, 35c a dozen.—Frank Ye Rold.

W. H. Agnew, of Chattanooga, was here on business Wednesday.

J. C. Newton was over at Plisk, Mo., several days last week on business.

Try our Heinz baked beans with tomato sauce—good any time. Only 10c a can.—Bettersworth & Prather's.

The electric derrick, which handles the logs from barges to the yard at Mengel plants, was put out of commission several days ago by the high water. Their track on the outside of the levee is completely submerged, and barges can land directly under the cableways, the water being so high.

### POLICE COURT NEWS.

Since last week the following persons have appeared before His Honor, Judge McMurry, to answer to charge of breach of the peace, and each was fined \$5 and costs: Tom Pendleton, Sam Williams, Robt. Fox, Jim Lusk and Lewis Craig.

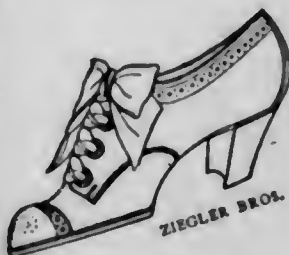
Get dressed up and have money left—Sullivan Bros.

R. B. Johnson and wife returned first of the week from Nashville.

H. N. Cowgill and C. H. Moore spent Monday at the Lake.

Don't wear soiled gloves. We clean them for 25c. We clean and block panama and straw hats.—White Bros.

Kentucky Club dues for the months of April, May and June are now due and payable. Pay the secretary at the Courier office as soon as possible.



## Easter Shoes and Slippers



A finer assortment than ever is in this Springs showing, for never before have we been able to offer such a diversified selection of PUMPS, COLONIALS and OXFORDS, in all the leathers, including White Buckskin, Tan, Black Velvet and Satin. A very complete line for ladies, misses and children.



## Baltzer & Dodds D. G. Co.

Incorporated.



## Who's Your Tailor?

If they could be better made or more smartly styled, you can rest assured they would be, but Ed. V. Price & Co.'s Suits are as staunch and modish, and as perfect fitting as human ingenuity and expert tailoring can make them. Ed. V. Price & Co.'s clothes have reached the zenith of Men's clothes perfection.

You can easily tell a *Who's Your Tailor?* Suit by its snappy appearance, graceful draping and perfect fit. 500 patterns to select from, now's the time, act quick. Shall we take your measure today?

We are backed by Ed. V. Price & Co. *Who's Your Tailor?*

## BALTZER & DODDS D. G. CO.

INCORPORATED  
The Store That Leads.



## Easter Hats

The SWAN in a hat  
Means the Best a Man Can  
Wear...

Our Spring line of Felts and Straws are  
ready, and includes some exceptionable  
values at \$1.50 to \$3.00

**Millet & Alexander**

Where Quality is Never Misrepresented.

## FIVE YEARS AGO

FROM THE COURIER FILES

Two hundred persons were received  
into the various churches of Hickman  
as the result of the big union revival.

P. B. (Bruce) Henry fell dead at  
his home near town.

Capt. C. R. Hackett fell into the  
back water in West Hickman and nar-  
rowly escaped drowning.

D. Owens came here from Hickens,  
Miss., to take charge of the Cumber-  
land telephone business, succeeding  
J. M. Moore.

Hugh Ed Mayer fell from a porch  
and broke his arm.

Home talent played "Mrs. Wiggs, of  
the Calhoun Patch," for the benefit  
of the U. D. C.

John Ogden and Miss Liza McClain  
were united in marriage by Rev. H. C.  
Johnson.

Percy Jones had a two-day opening  
at his cafe—free ice cream and  
drinks at the fountain.

Luther Watson's restaurant, in the  
Hick building was practically destroyed  
by fire, and the building badly  
damaged.

Rev. L. D. Summers preached at the  
Lapland Church.

The LaClude Hotel was rented to

"Mr. Bennett, of Fulton," and was  
to be opened April 1st.

## REPELS ATTACK OF DEATH.

"Five years ago two doctors told  
me I had only two years to live." This  
startling statement was made by  
Stillman Green, Meigschite, Col. "They  
told me that I would die of consump-  
tion. It was up to me then to try the  
best lung medicine and I began to use  
Dr. King's New Discovery. It was well  
I did, for today I am working and believe  
I owe my life to this great throat and lung  
cure that has cheated the grave of another  
victim." It's folly to suffer with coughs,  
colds or other throat and lung troubles  
now. Take the cure that's safest. Price  
50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free at Helm &  
Ellison.

Bryan, son of R. E. Roberts, who  
has held a position with the Menkel  
Box Co. at Menkelwood since the first  
of the year, returned home last week  
and while catching veneral at the lower  
mill a few nights ago, got his right  
hand and shoulder caught in the feed  
gear, causing a badly lacerated  
wound. Dr. Armstrong was called and  
dressed his wounds. Owing to the quick  
action of Alex. Hamill the operator, a  
serious accident was narrowly averted.

It is economy to have your clothes  
cleaned and pressed. They will give  
you better service and present a  
much nicer appearance. Our prices  
are reasonable.—White Bros.—phone  
195.

W. A. Dodds was in Union City five  
of the week.

## CONTRACT CLOSED FOR MANSION

KENTUCKY'S NEW CHIEF EXECU-  
TIVE RESIDENCE WILL BE  
BUILT BY LOCAL MEN.

## HEALTH MEN IN WASHINGTON

Reporter of the Court of Appeals, T.  
R. McBeath, Tenders Resignation  
to Take Effect September 1—  
Room for Stenographers.

Frankfort.—A meeting of the cap-  
itol commission was held and closed  
the contract with C. C. and E. A.  
Webber, architects selected for the  
new mansion for the governor. It has  
been held by the commission that  
Senator Louis Arnett's connection  
with Webber Brothers, as attorney,  
in no way affects the right of the  
commission to award the contract to  
the Webbers. Webber Brothers  
were invited to meet with the com-  
mission.

The architects for the mansion will  
receive five per cent. of the cost of  
the mansion, which is to be erected  
at a cost of \$55,000. The commission  
decided to spend only that much on  
the mansion proper. The lot, which  
was purchased from L. F. Johnson,  
cost \$3,500, and in addition to the lot,  
on which Mr. Johnson's house now  
stands, there is included in the deal  
several houses occupied by negroes  
directly back of Mr. Johnson's house.  
The commission also has an option  
on the lot adjoining Mr. Johnson's,  
and expects, eventually, to buy all the  
houses between the mansion site and  
Todd street. These houses are not of  
an attractive nature and are mainly  
occupied by negroes.

After paying for the lot, the archi-  
tects' fee and the cost of build-  
ing itself, there will be left \$7,750,  
which will be used to furnish the  
mansion. The commission will buy  
carpets and furniture, which will re-  
main in the mansion for the use of  
future governors, and it is believed  
that handsome furniture can be  
bought for the money that is avail-  
able.

## Health Men in Washington.

With a view to perfecting in cer-  
tain important particulars the hygie-  
nic and sanitary work in the state  
and the city governments of Ken-  
tucky, R. M. Allen, state pure food  
and drug officer; Dr. W. O. Bullock,  
president of the city board of health  
of Lexington, and Dr. N. R. Simmons,  
city health officer of Lexington, are in  
Washington closely studying the  
methods of the authorities in the na-  
tion's capital, including those of the  
national bureau of chemistry, in the  
department of agriculture.

The tuberculin test as to milk and  
meat inspection are the great ques-  
tions under investigation by the Ken-  
tucky health officers, and after only  
a few hours' study there they feel  
that much desirable information has  
been obtained. The Kentuckians  
spent a day following the scientific  
system of the bureau of animal in-  
dustry.

The Lexington city health officers  
are after information that they be-  
lieve will assist materially in the  
framing of health and sanitary ordi-  
nances that are more up-to-date than  
existing city laws of this character.  
Dr. Bullock and Simmons will then  
go to Mount Clair, N. J., to study the  
health ordinances of that city.

## Burglar-Proof Vaults.

The new burglar-proof safes and  
steel shelving with steel doors have  
been installed in all the five big  
vaults at the custom house. The  
shelving, which also includes several  
doors of thin steel which are prac-  
tically as good for keeping valuable  
records as the ordinary heavy iron  
safe, was put in by the Crown Metal  
Construction company. Building in-  
spector Hayes will make an estimate  
as to the cost of putting dormer win-  
dows in the third story of the annex  
to the custom house, just completed,  
and fitting up the rooms in the third  
story for file rooms for the various  
offices. After the estimate is com-  
pleted, Senator Bradley will intro-  
duce a bill to appropriate enough  
money to have the work done.

## New Militia Company.

Col. J. Tandy Ellis, assistant and  
acting adjutant general, has returned  
from Owensboro and Louisville,  
where he went in the interests of the  
Kentucky national guard. He said he  
went to the armory in Louisville, and  
was well pleased with the showing  
that is being made by the five com-  
panies now in the service in Louis-  
ville. He said Captain Love was doing  
wonders there, and the battalion  
is being put in fine condition. Col-  
onel Ellis said it was likely a company  
would be mustered into the service in  
Owensboro shortly, to be attached to  
the Third Kentucky.

## McBeath Resigns.

The resignation of Judge T. R. Mc-  
Beath, as reporter of the court of ap-  
peals, was filed with the court in  
writing, to take effect on September  
1, 1912. The resignation was accept-  
ed. The election of Robert G. Hig-  
don as official reporter was officially  
entered on the records of the court,  
his services to begin at the Septem-  
ber term of the court. The court fur-  
ther ordered that the chief justice, in  
behalf of the court, express to Judge  
McBeath its appreciation of the faith-  
ful and efficient service rendered.

# Our Big Sale

Will Continue Another Week

We are determined to close out our  
enormous stock of

## QUEENSWARE

Big and sensational cut prices until all are gone, plenty for  
everybody. Heretofore advertised prices will prevail  
indefinitely. Splendid sale at the

LACE and EMBROIDERY COUNTERS

Saturday, March 30 and Monday, April 1

## Bring Us Your Produce

Nice, imported Fruit or Salad Bowl to the lady bringing  
the greatest number of eggs on Saturday, March 30th.  
Same prize on Monday, April 1st.

## Naylor Mercantile Co.

CAYCE, KENTUCKY

Frankfort.—Although the new cap-  
itol has been occupied only a little  
more than two years, the state de-  
partments have already outgrown the  
building, and during the next few  
weeks there will be a general shift-  
ing of offices. Several of the depart-  
ments which now have offices in the  
new capitol will be moved to the old  
executive building and the old state  
house, to make room for some of the  
newly created departments which, on  
account of their relations with the  
auditor and treasurer, must be lo-  
cated near the state offices.

It is proposed now to move the  
agricultural department, the board  
of control of charitable institutions, the  
prison commission, the historical so-  
ciety and perhaps other departments,  
which are independent in themselves,  
to the old executive building, which  
will be put in repair and improved  
until it is in good and attractive  
shape. Several of the departments  
that are to be moved really would  
prefer being located in the old build-  
ings, as it would be more convenient  
for the heads of the departments.

The state has \$15,000 to make re-  
pairs and improvements in the old  
buildings, and it is believed that with  
this money the offices can be made as  
comfortable and attractive as they  
are in the new capitol. With the sev-  
eral departments out of the new  
building the newly created depart-  
ments can be installed. There is the  
supervisor of auditor's agents, for in-  
stance, who must have an office close  
to the auditor, on account of the ne-  
cessity for frequent consultation  
with the auditor and the records of  
the office. The insurance commis-  
sioners also must be located near the  
auditor, and it is proposed to have  
this office where the historical so-  
ciety now is located. The file room  
of the secretary of state, on the first  
floor of the capitol, is to be divided  
into two offices, one of which will be  
occupied by the commissioner of Con-  
federate pensions.

No action has been taken by the  
capitol commission regarding who is  
to be moved, but the matter will be  
settled in the next few days.

## Must Pay Insurance.

Illinois insurance laws do not apply  
in Kentucky in the matter of in-  
surance contracts, according to a de-  
cision of the court of appeals in the  
case of the Western Indemnity com-  
pany against Clarence Rupp, on ap-  
peal from the Jefferson circuit court.  
The court of appeals holds that the  
Indemnity company must pay Rupp  
\$1,000 insurance carried on the life of  
George McCormick, although Rupp  
had no insurable interest in the life  
of McCormick.

In the case of Charles Just's admin-  
istrator against Frank O. Woodman,  
on appeal from the Jefferson court,  
the court of appeals holds that \$499  
left by Just is not exempt and the  
widow must pay Woodman \$200  
which her husband owed him before

## death.

The court of appeals affirmed the  
sentence of from one to six years in  
the penitentiary imposed in McCrack-  
en county on George Overstreet, on  
conviction of the charge of house-  
burning. Overstreet and others was  
indicted on the charge of burning the  
storehouse of Herman Friedman.

The court of appeals affirmed judg-  
ment of the Hopkins circuit court in  
the case of Stephen L. Aaron against  
the Kingston Coal company. Aaron, a  
laborer for the coal company, was in-  
jured while at work and the jury  
gave him \$1,500.

## Dairymen's Day.

Dairymen from all over the state  
and members of the state board of  
health were giving a hearing by Gov-  
ernor McCreary on the tuberculin  
test bill. The board of health, which  
is opposed to the bill and wants it  
vetoed, says that under the new act,  
if it should become a law, the tuber-  
culin test would soon be abolished in  
the counties where there are large  
herds of dairy cattle. The dairymen,  
especially those of Shelby and Fay-  
ette counties, want the bill signed,  
and it is generally understood that if  
the act becomes a law the fiscal court  
of Shelby county will not order the  
test on cows in that county, the largest  
milk-producing county in the state.

## Prospective Appointments.

It is learned from a reliable source  
that Auditor H. M. Bosworth will ap-  
point O. N. Gray of Eddyville and  
Rufus Laffoon of Madisonville, whom  
he defeated for auditor, as the two  
members of the State Insurance Rat-  
ing board under the new law. The  
places pay \$2,000 a year. Both are  
prominent Democrats. Mr. Gray was  
a candidate for prison commissioner.  
It is also stated that Auditor Bos-  
worth named John Byers of Hopkins-  
ville to the berth of supervisor of  
revenue agents.

## Seven Guards Lose Places.

Seven guards at the Frankfort pen-  
itentiary were discharged, being no-  
tified that their services were no  
longer required. It is charged that  
the guards were from districts whose  
representatives voted in favor of the  
new prison commission bill against  
the present prison commission.

## Will Study Vocational Schools.

The governor commissioned Phillip  
Grinstead of Lexington as a special  
commissioner from Kentucky to in-  
vestigate in Rome the Montessori  
methods of teaching children in the  
primary grades and also the voca-  
tional training in the elementary  
schools of Switzerland and Germany.  
Mr. Grinstead will attend lectures in  
Switzerland, Germany and Rome on  
the subjects mentioned. There is no  
compensation allowed Mr. Grinstead,  
but the commission from the gover-  
nor will admit him to lectures.

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## CLAYTON NEWS.

Mrs. J. S. Griffith was on the sick  
last last week.

Mrs. A. E. Caldwell was in Union  
City last week.

Hurdle Donnell and sister, Grace,  
went to Union City Monday.

Sunday School was not held at  
Reelfoot last Sunday on account of  
the high water.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Switzer spent  
one night last week with her sister,  
Mrs. C. H. Bruer.

A. E. Caldwell and little son went  
to Nashville last week to purchase  
his spring stock of goods.

C. H. Bruer and wife spent one  
night last week with her mother, Mrs.  
J. R. Donnell, in Hickman.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Toy  
Clear was quiet all last week but is  
reported better at this writing.

The M. W. A. lodge met at Clayton  
last Friday night and enjoyed a nice  
supper and fish fry. Hurdle Donnell  
was elected clerk to take the place of  
C. H. Bruer who is going to New  
Mexico.

FOR SALE: A No. 1 Waldron pi-  
ano—exceptionally good tone. Cheap.  
See Arch O. Hertweck. 3p

## "MORE FOR YOUR MONEY"



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## Have you seen these new Red Cross Models?

These are four ex-  
tremely attractive Red  
Cross Spring styles that  
we want to show you.

There is some new  
touch, something origi-  
nal that makes every  
Red Cross model dis-  
tinctive. These four  
styles are advance  
models which you can  
enjoy wearing now,  
while they are new.

Whether you select an  
extreme dress shoe or a  
smart walking shoe, in any  
material, the Red Cross  
shoe will fit your foot  
closely and be wonderfully  
comfortable.

If you want to wear the  
most stylish shoe made—  
the most comfortable—  
come in and let us fit you  
in a Red Cross model.

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My Dear Sir:-

ALL THE WORLD RESPECTS A ROYAL  
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And you buy on a guarantee of "ALL PURE WOOL"  
and absolute satisfaction, or no sale. Absolute "JUST  
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If all men knew of the Royal System, there'd be no  
"pretty nearly right" dressers. For why should any man  
take PARTIAL satisfaction when \$20, \$30, \$40 or \$50 will  
get him thru the Royal Service, the utmost in all-wool  
made-to-measure CLOATHES.

H. E. CURLIN  
House of Quality.

#### Suffragette Sentenced.

London.—Ellen Pittfield, the suffra-  
gette who attempted to set fire to the  
general postoffice in London on the even-  
ing of March 3 by throwing a bundle  
of paper saturated with petroleum into  
the building, was sentenced at the Old  
Bailey sessions to six months' imprison-  
ment in the second division. This means  
that she will be accorded many privi-  
leges which are not granted to ordinary  
prisoners. The judge explained that  
her sentence would be more severe  
except for the fact that she was  
in ill-health.

#### Tries to Kill Family.

Harrodsburg, Ky.—Insane from drink,  
Edward Moore attempted to murder his  
wife and family, seriously wounded two  
officers who went to the rescue, and then  
committed suicide on the back porch of  
his home here.

#### Miners May Strike.

Cleveland, O.—Wage discussions be-  
tween the operators and representatives  
of 200,000 union miners in the bitu-  
minous coal fields of Western Pennsyl-  
vania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, aim-  
ing at averting a prolonged suspension  
of business after April 1, and also to  
avert a possible strike, were without  
definite results. The prospect that all  
bituminous coal mines would be closed  
after the first of the month, pending the  
making of a new two-year working and  
wage agreement, was said to be im-  
minent.

#### Destroy American Property.

Del Rio, Tex.—Mexican bandits were  
reported playing havoc with American  
property in the mountainous region of  
Mexico immediately west of here. A  
party of Americans arrived here stripped  
of cattle, horses and guns. This party  
included several well-known Texans.  
They were held up on Mexican soil by  
a party of Mexicans bearing a red flag  
on which was inscribed the word "Lib-  
erty." The bandits warned some mem-  
bers of this party never to cross into  
Mexico again.

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## The Boy's Easter Suits



**\$3.00 to \$6.50**

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**ARE  
YOU  
RUN-  
DOWN?**



**HAVE** you got that tired, listless  
feeling—want to groan every min-  
ute of the day, "Oh, what's the use?" Perhaps  
you are querulous and bad tempered without know-  
ing the cause—nerves on the jump—relief in sight.

### You Need a Spring Tonic

Your system needs bracing up. Put an end to the  
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#### FIGHTING CRAFT COMING. Battleships and Gunboat May Visit Hickman.

Acting Secretary Wintrop has signed  
orders for the battleships New  
Hampshire and Nebraska to report  
at New Orleans April 30 to participate  
in the ceremonies under the auspices  
of the Louisiana Historical Society  
in commemoration of the 100th anni-  
versary of the admission of Louisiana  
to the Union. At New Orleans,  
the vessels will be joined by the lit-  
tle gunboat Petrel which will first pay  
a visit to Mobile from April 6 to 18.

At the conclusion of the anniversa-  
ry ceremonies the Nebraska will re-  
join the Atlantic fleet, but the New  
Hampshire and the Petrel will make  
a cruise up the Mississippi as far as  
the depth of the water will permit,  
and as the spring rise will be on  
this will doubtless extend as far up  
as Hickman, the head of the deep wa-  
ter.

#### RAISING POULTRY FOR EGGS

Maine Agricultural Experiment Station  
Issues Bulletin Giving Results  
With Plymouth Rocks.

Under the above title the Maine  
agricultural experiment station has is-  
sued Bulletin 192, which summarizes  
all of the results of the experiments  
which have been carried on at the sta-  
tion during the last 13 years in at-  
tempting to improve by breeding the  
average egg production of a strain of  
Barred Plymouth Rock poultry. An  
account is given of the results of the  
earlier experiments in selecting the  
highest producers as breeders without  
regard to any other qualities than  
their trap nest records. It is shown  
that this plan of breeding failed to ob-  
tain any distinct improvement in flock  
production. The experiments of the  
station to find out whether continued  
artificial incubation and brooding has  
a harmful effect on egg production are  
described. The effect of inbreeding on  
egg production is discussed on the  
basis of extensive experimental re-  
cords. This is followed by a clear and  
simple explanation of a new plan of  
breeding which has been tried during  
the past five years, and which is based  
upon the conception that high egg pro-  
ductiveness is inherited in certain  
"blood lines" and not in others, and  
that by a proper system of pedigree  
selection it is possible to isolate the  
high producing lines. The last section  
of the bulletin is devoted to an expo-  
sition of the gratifying success which  
has attended the application of this  
new plan of breeding to the station  
flock. Strains which have high egg  
productiveness fixed as a definite  
character have now been obtained and  
are being propagated at the station.

#### FOR FEEDING TURKEYS ONLY

Small V-Shaped Trough Elevated to  
Height to Allow Big Birds to  
Pick From Is Useful.

Often on a farm where turkeys are  
raised right along with the chickens  
and other poultry, it is desirable to  
feed them heavier than the other pou-  
ltry, yet suitable means of doing so are  
not available without a fenced yard  
to separate them, writes P. C. Gross  
of Ohio in the Prairie Farmer. In  
such cases the following contrivance  
serves admirably:

A small V-shaped trough, of imma-  
terial length, is elevated by means of  
supports to a height that will allow  
the turkeys to stand on the floor and  
pick from it, yet be too high to per-  
mit the chickens and small fowls do-  
ing likewise. Three or four inches  
above the top of the trough a board, as  
wide as the trough, is attached flat-  
wise. This prevents the chickens from  
sying up and standing on the edge of  
the trough. The sides of the trough



Trough for Turkeys.

should not be very wide as this would  
prevent the turkeys from reaching the  
corn or other feed in the bottom of the  
trough.

With such a trough the turkeys may  
be fattened right among the other  
poultry, and no feed wasted on the  
other fowls.

Of course, the chickens will climb on  
top of the flat board, but from it they  
can not reach the trough.

The stork left a fine ten-pound girl  
at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. B.  
Mooney Thursday night. Both doing  
well.

Our suits are hand tailored and are  
guaranteed to give satisfaction and  
our prices are right, so why not give  
us a trial and save \$5 on your spring  
suit.—Sullivan Bros.

Mrs. A. M. Tyler and little son left  
this week for points on the Gulf  
Coast to spend several weeks.



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## Easter Hat...

From the Choicest Models in the  
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We have made great preparations  
for the coming week. Only a few  
days now remain before EASTER.



Next week we will receive another new lot of

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in the very latest styles. We invite your inspection.

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#### OPERATION PROVES FATAL.

Mrs. Ocie Oliver Succumbs to  
Operation at St. Louis.

Mrs. Frank Oliver, who was Miss  
Ocie Wiley before her marriage, died  
at the Baptist Hospital in St. Louis  
Sunday, from the effects of an op-  
eration performed the day before.

Mrs. Oliver was born and reared  
at Hickman and has many old friends  
and acquaintances here who will be  
saddened by the news of her untimely  
death. She and her family have  
made their home at Oakton for some  
time, and altogether have been away  
from Hickman about six years. Re-  
cently her health broke down, but  
nothing it seemed could stay the ne-  
cessity of an operation, which came  
to such a sad end. She leaves three  
motherless little ones, her husband,  
her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Wil-  
ley, and a sister, Mrs. O. C. Hen-  
ry, and one brother, Len Wiley.

Deceased was born in 1886 and  
grew to womanhood in our midst.  
She was a girl of charming person-  
ality. In early life she professed her  
faith in Christ and joined the Bap-  
tist church here. After moving away,  
she transferred her membership to  
Poplar Grove, at which place her re-  
mains were laid in their final resting

place Tuesday. Funeral services were  
held at the home of her parents by  
Rev. King, and many of her girlhood  
friends were in attendance to pay  
their last respects. Mrs. Oliver was  
a noble woman and will be greatly  
missed by both relatives and friends,  
with whom we join in sympathy.

Get dressed up and have money left  
Sullivan Bros.

Mrs. Jno. M. Gradner, of Martin,  
is here spending several days with  
her parents, Rev. and Mrs. G. W.  
Wilson.

See those \$18.50 values in mens  
suits at Sullivan Bros. Their price  
is only \$13.50.

The withdrawal of Judge J. E. Hob-  
bins from the congressional race may  
mean that Denny P. Smith, of Cadiz,  
will be in the running. His announce-  
ment at any time would not be a  
surprise to the Courier.

As might be expected, the fire in-  
surance companies doing business in  
Kentucky have brought a suit in the  
federal court to test the validity of  
a law passed by the recent Legisla-  
ture creating a rating bureau. This  
law is much needed.

#### ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Dr. H. E. Prather and family have  
moved to their new home in Southern  
Heights.

Mr. Pinion, of night rider fame, and  
family, of near Crystal, were here  
shopping yesterday.

Miss Louise Atwood returned Mon-  
day from Memphis, where she has  
been the guest of Mrs. G. H. Bond  
several days.

Mrs. D. H. Wilson, Mrs. F. T. Ros-  
die and little son left Wednesday af-  
ternoon for Nashville to visit Mrs.  
floss Cheslhire.

Austin W. Wilson, a student in Mc-  
Ferrin School at Martin, spent Sat-  
day and Sunday with his parents,  
Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Wilson.

Suit for divorce has been filed in  
the office of Circuit Clerk Morris by  
Cornelia Rhodes against Jack Rhodes.  
She alleges cruel and ill treatment.

Wm. Walton a store, in West Hick-  
man, was robbed of \$15 cash Tues-  
day night. The money was taken  
from his safe by some one who work-  
ed the combination.

Mrs. C. S. Driver left yesterday for  
Walnut Ridge, Ark., to visit relatives.  
Just before leaving she received a  
message that her sister at that place  
was dangerously ill.

Phoenix Hosiery are made of the pure-  
st cotton thread and do not look  
dull and coarse. They are guaran-  
teed for three months by Sullivan  
Bros., and they cost only 50c a pair.

T. J. Malone and wife left Monday  
for Moberly, Mo., which will be his  
headquarters while he is covering  
North Missouri territory in the ca-  
pacity of salesman for the Mayfield  
Woolen Mills.

C. C. Smith and wife, Miss Marguer-  
ite Fuqua and Miss Lucille Bondurant  
attended the Vanderbilt Glee Club  
concert at Union City last night.  
Frank Smith, of this city, is a mem-  
ber of the club.

#### VITAL STATISTICS.

Since last week the following birth  
certificates have been recorded at the  
local bureau of vital statistics:

Arthur Gray and wife, Feb. 2, a  
boy.

Eddie C. Clark and wife, Feb. 4,  
a boy.

Geo. Weatherly and wife, March 3,  
a girl.

Allie Parks and wife, March 15, a  
boy.

Robt. H. Lewis and wife, Feb. 26,  
a boy.

Rice C. Clinard and wife, Dec. 15,  
a girl.

Liddle Smith and wife, March 5, a  
boy.

Harry Lee King and wife, Jan. 20,  
a girl.

Jno. F. Bunch and wife, Dec. 22, a  
girl.

## Spring is Coming

Don't worry about your Harness, I  
have the goods to sell and the beauty  
of it is I have the price so you can  
"get by." Don't forget the Harness  
man when you get ready to buy.

PHONE 154

**Hickman Harness Co.**

## Flower Lovers

We will have on display in pot flowers April 3rd

Easter Lilies  
Hydranges  
Hyacinths  
Spire  
Ferns

Owing to the past bad weather we'll exhibit a  
nice variety of flowers.

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when your time is out. We don't believe in forcing a paper on anyone. If you do not want to miss a copy, keep the subscription paid up. A notice of expiration is given here 15 days ahead with a blue mark

## ROBBINS WITHDRAWS. Judge Barkley Now Unopposed for Congress.

The many Hickman friends of Judge J. E. Robbins, of Mayfield, will be sorry to learn that the Judge has decided to quit the race for the Democratic nomination for Congress. This leaves only one announced candidate, Judge A. W. Barkley, of Paducah.

Judge Robbins says that he entered the race against his will, as well as his financial interest. Last July he suffered an attack of rheumatism and feared the fatigue of an actual campaign might be injurious to his health. Therefore, he says, he shrinks from the labor of the contest and is warned that it is best to avoid it. To him, he says, the "play is not worth the candle."

He further says that he believes he had a good chance to win, but the campaign would be too expensive and laborious.

## CORN CLUB TO MEET.

The Fulton County Boys' Corn Club is called to meet at Fulton, Tuesday morning, April 2nd, at which time and place Dr. Mutchler, of Bowling Green, state organizer, will go into the matter of final organization with the boys. Miss Virginia Luten, who has charge of the work locally, will also be at Fulton on that day. All the boys who have enrolled are expected to attend this meeting.

The total number of boys enrolled to date is 22—J. C. Mance, of Cayce, and Ernest Brice, of Hickman, being the last two.

It was Sambo that was bemoaning the fact that he had forgotten to fasten the door of his chicken house the night before. "Were they stolen?" he was asked. "No; they went home."

The man who says the sun never fails to shine some time during the day on Saturday has mis-called his hand. Last Saturday the sun was never visible, but on the contrary a pelting rain was on the job the five-day day.

General Manager Adams, of the Minneapolis Journal, was a welcome visitor at this office Friday. Mr. Adams ran down for a short breathing spell and to look at the Millers' training grounds. He finds Hickman one of the most progressive of small cities.

Bob Buchanan dropped in Friday and spent a couple of days with old Hickman friends. While here, he dressed the show windows of Smith & Amberg's big bargain emporium, resulting in one of the classiest displays we've ever seen. Bob makes a specialty of this line of work and is an artist at the business.



**Y**OUR preparations for Easter will not be complete without your new things to wear. As long as you're going to have a new suit this Spring, you may as well have it in time for the good clothes parade. As soon as you decide what it shall be, come in and let us know.

## Hart Schaffner & Marx

clothes are the kind that give one a dressed-up feeling; whatever style you decide to have, from the Prince Albert to the sack or Norfolk, you'll get distinction in dress if you get these clothes.

We have some exceptionally good blue serge suits, and dark worsteds in sacks; the latest models, with long roll lapels; style that will please the young fellows immensely. We supply you with suits at easy prices.

New hats, fine shirts, the choicest neckwear, lisle and silk hose, patent and tan oxfords; are here, ready.

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This store is the home of Hart Schaffner & Marx clothes

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## My Lady of Doubt

BY RANDALL PARRISH

A charming drama of a Revolutionary hero and a petite Colonial belle, with a background of the most stupendous struggle in the history of our country.

OPENING CHAPTERS THIS WEEK.

## PROSPECTS BRIGHT.

Capitalists Anxious to  
Finance Our Electric R. R.

Major W. A. Calhoun, consulting engineer of the Kentucky Southwestern Electric Railway, Light and Power Company, who returned Tuesday morning from a three weeks' stay in New York, said that prospects for the Interurban are growing brighter every day.

Major Calhoun was called home because of illness in his family. However, the trip afforded him an opportunity to more closely cement the interests of the Kentucky Southwestern and the financial connections with which the above company had been negotiating for some time.

Major Calhoun stated further that there had never for years been a time like the present when capital is seeking placement on such a satisfac-

tory basis. Many of the financial centers are having difficulty in finding investments for their funds and a bulk of that which is being placed is at 1 and 2 per cent under the usual rates obtainable.

He said it was very gratifying to observe the manner in which traction securities were leading in the market and that it only goes to prove the stability with which they are looked upon, as well as the profitability. Major Calhoun was especially urged to have the company complete the balance of their work necessary to enable them to determine what amount of bonds would be necessary to completely provide for the construction and equipping of the road and what terms they would consider.

"The report and other data of the company having been examined by some of the representatives of these financial interests, it is to be hoped that our people will do what they can

to facilitate time in the completion of the work as every day saved in completing these preliminaries brings the completed proposition much closer," said Major Calhoun.

"Had our people taken hold of this matter as they should have, Paducah and the surrounding territory would have received the benefits that much sooner, and even now by so doing and without further delaying, time can be saved and thereby its equivalent obtained.

"Press notices show where in three similar enterprises near by—one in Kentucky, one in Tennessee, and one in Missouri—the people have cooperated without delays, with the result that the work has been carried on more rapidly, which means a saving in many ways. In two of these cases the entire amount necessary for preliminary work was provided in advance of the work," said Major Calhoun in conclusion.

The last General Assembly increased the annual appropriation for the maintenance of the Western State Normal School at Bowling Green from \$50,000 to \$75,000. This school is doing a great work in supplying the public schools of Kentucky with well trained teachers. Twelve students from Fulton County are attending the Normal at present. The next term begins April 9th, at which time others are expecting to enroll.

The Paris dressmakers' most startling contribution to lady's wardrobe this year is to be a new skirt, very narrow, with a slit at the side extending well above the knee. If the directoire stocking, made of silken neckwork with large meshes, is to be worn with the dress, as it is said, the effect will be striking—very striking.

Light and water bills are due and payable on the 10th of the month.

## NOTED CATHOLIC WILL LECTURE Mission at Sacred Heart Church, Hickman, Ky.

Beginning Sunday March 31, ending Easter Sunday, April 7th, a mission will be given at Sacred Heart Church of this city by The Reverend Father Devery, C. S. P. on the chief tenets of the Roman Catholic Church. The speaker has won international fame as a scholar and a speaker.

The subjects on which he speaks shall prove of great interest to the people of this city.

The speaker has won golden opinions from many distinguished non-Catholics in the United States and counts many friends among those who differ from him in matters of religious belief.

As a broad minded thinker and connoisseur of human nature he always respects the sincere convictions of his hearers and has never been known to take advantage of his position to make any remark or innuendo savoring of bitterness or ill feeling.

Father Devery attacks no man nor religion. He simply explains the position of the Catholic Church. He boldly acknowledges that there have been circulated about his church false and vicious stories which he seeks to and does explode.

The speaker has been conducting non-Catholic missions for several years everywhere drawing large audiences of the most intelligent people to hear him.

Hickman may well be proud that it has this distinguished clergyman and able orator in its midst.

A question box is placed in the vestibule of the church into which the audience is invited to deposit any question which Catholics or non-Catholics may be pleased to ask, and which the speaker will answer the following evening.

All men of good will are invited to attend this mission, which will be free to all.

## CASEY'S PICTURE.

Casey decided to go into business, so he bought out a small livery stable and had a painter make a sign for him showing him astride a mule. He had this sign placed in front of the stable and was quite proud of it. His friend Finnigan happened along and stood gazing at the sign.

"That's a good picture of me ain't it?" asked Casey.

"Sure it looks something like you," said Finnigan, "but who the devil is the man on your back?"

Cecil Ramer, of Moscow, was haggard on the M. & O. train that was held up and robbed near Rhenzi, Miss., last Tuesday night.

"PERFECTION BOYS  
CLOTHES IS  
SO GOOD  
THAT THEM  
WHO  
DON'T BUY  
EM STEAL  
EM—  
THEY GOT  
MINE"—PETE



When we were boys, mother would cut down dad's old suits to fit us.

Today this is false economy, for you can buy *Perfection* Suits so reasonable and so good that it would not pay to bother making your boy's clothes at home.

Come in with your boy and see the Spring Clothes we are showing.

Don't buy the unnamed kind—ask for *Perfection*.

No others just as good.

Some special values these days at:

**\$2.50 to \$10.00**

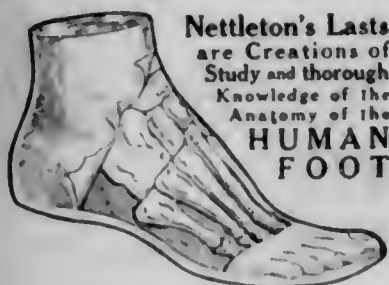
**SMITH & AMBERG**





A GLIMPSE OF CHINATOWN, SAN FRANCISCO.

China will display a wonderful exhibit at the Panama-Pacific International exposition at San Francisco in 1915.



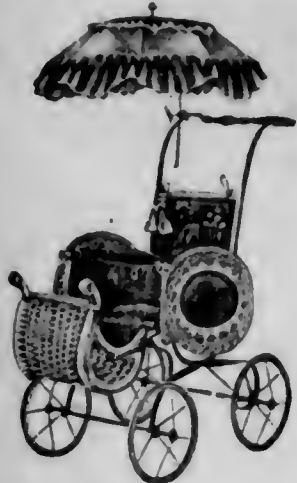
H. E. CURLIN  
House of Quality

N. D. Logan and Minor Ferguson were here on business from Woodland Mills, Monday.

W. E. Ford, of Little Rock, is here in the capacity of consulting engineer for the C. M. & G., relative to the extension of their line from Hickman to Metropolis.

W. F. White and son, Paul, of Flisk, Mo., are here visiting his son, W. E. White, and other relatives.

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GO-CARTS—the kind to make the wee, dimpled darlings comfortable. All styles.....\$2.50 to \$15

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in  
**Real Estate**  
See  
**M. B. Shaw**

**TWO BIG STORES BURN.**  
Union City Has \$150,000  
Blaze Sunday Morning.

The most disastrous fire that has occurred in Union City in years broke out in the heart of the business district there Sunday morning, putting the big mercantile houses of Morgan-Verhine Company and Beckham, Jones & Murphy, destroying the buildings and causing a total loss of \$150,000, covered by insurance with several companies to the amount of \$95,000. The fire is supposed to have originated on the second floor of the building occupied by Beckham, Jones &

**CHRISTIAN CHURCH BULLETIN.**  
M. L. Blaney Pastor.  
Preaching Sunday, April 7.

At 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., subject: "Is Sprinkling in Any Sense Baptism? If Not, Why is It Mentioned so often in the Bible?" Those who have any special scripture text on this subject please write me a card giving chapter and verse without signing name and I will treat it fairly just the same as if the name were signed. Sunday School at 9:45, C. C. Smith, Supt. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening April 10, led by pastor.

**FOUR COTTON GINS.**  
Roberta Cotton Oil Co.  
To Build Gin at Hickman.

"It never rains, but pours," may be aptly applied to the cotton gin situation at Hickman at present. Mr. Allen, representing the Roberta Cotton Oil Co., was here from Memphis last week looking over the local field with a view to establishing a branch of the concern in Hickman. He was so favorably impressed that he took a 30-day option on the leasing of a site on the property of G. N. Helm, near the W. A. Dodd brick yard in the west end. It is stated

**CHURCH NOTICE.**  
West Hickman  
Baptist Church.

Preaching first Sunday night in each month at 6:45 and every third Sunday at 11 a. m. and 6:45 p. m. Sunday School every Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock. Prayer Meeting every Thursday evening at 7 o'clock. Everybody is cordially invited to attend these services. Services held opposite school building.—Rev. W. L. King, Pastor

**RUSH CREEK ITEMS.**

News of the neighborhood is scarce this week, the weather being so bad.

Miss Linnie Bondurant, of Cayce, is visiting her uncle, J. C. Lawson, and her grandparents, of near Fulton.

Mr. Garmany, of Milan, Tenn., a prominent citizen, was shot and killed by his son Saturday night. He was crazed with liquor and seized the gun with the intention of killing the entire family.

Grover Brown was in Terrell this week to see about his farm he has recently purchased. He will not move on account of the objections of the owners of the farm he had already rented.

The school closed at Cayce Friday, Feb. 22, at which time a very interesting program was rendered and attended by a number of patrons. It was pronounced to be the greatest entertainment of the kind they ever attended.

We were indeed sorry to learn of the death of Lucian Winford, of near Fulton. It seems that he became despondent and death was preferable to living. It is a pity that he could not have gone to some friend and unburied his trouble while he was in better spirits. He had been married twice and was to have been married the following Wednesday to Miss Pearl Milner, of Fulton. He leaves two girls to survive him and a host of friends and relatives to mourn his loss.

**BETTER PAY NOW.**

If you are behind on your last year's city taxes, same may be paid to J. T. Dillon at the office of the Hickman Ice & Coal Co. If not paid at once, Mr. Dillon is authorized to proceed to advertise and sell property for any and all amounts due the City of Hickman. Your prompt attention to this matter will save you extra costs.

**MEET NEXT TUESDAY.**

The regular meeting of the Woman's Civic League was postponed this week and will meet next Tuesday afternoon at the court house. All members are requested to be present.

Phone 195.—We will call for and deliver your work. White Bros. cleaners and pressers.

A first general mortgage for \$15,000.00 on the property of the Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Company has been filed in the Montgomery county register's office for record in Tennessee. The mortgage is executed to the Columbia Trust Co. of New York, to secure a 25-year 4 per cent gold bond issue, and covers the property of the Cumberland Company in Tennessee, Kentucky, Mississippi, Louisiana and Indiana. The company is now engaged in "dropping" a little bunch of this cash in Hickman while renewing their system here.

Our work is guaranteed to please you or we won't take your money.—White Bros., phone 195.

**Our Drug Stock**

comprises everything you will find necessary to have in the way of

**Pure Drugs  
Drug Sundries  
Patent Medicines**

No one is employed here but those who understand the nature of all the goods sold in our store. There is perfect safety in our service.

**Cowgill's Drug Store**  
INCORPORATED

Murphy shortly past midnight.

The flames were spreading rapidly when discovered, but the fire company arrived promptly, and with Spartan efforts, confined the fire to these two buildings. The adjoining merchants carried out large portions of their stock and stored it in buildings across the street. If the flames had spread either way, Union City's mercantile business would have been wiped out.

Judge Swiggart owned the building occupied by Beckham, Jones & Murphy, valued at \$12,500, with only \$3,000 insurance. The other building, occupied by Morgan-Verhine Company was valued at \$12,500 and was insured for \$7,000.

The merchants had just installed their spring stocks of which little had been sold on account of the late winter weather.

J. P. Verhine, owner of the Morgan-Verhine Company business, carried insurance to the amount of \$45,000. He had a stock of goods and fixtures aggregating about \$80,000, causing him to lose about \$35,000.

The Beckham, Jones & Murphy stock and fixtures were valued at \$35,000 with insurance amounting to \$25,000. Corum & Jackson, adjoining on the south suffered a loss of \$4,000 in damaged stock, and Seld Waddell, owner of the building, about \$800. The two big firms mentioned carried dry goods, clothing, ladies' garments, carpets, shoes, hats, etc. The fire is a calamity to Union City.

About thirty people altogether are thrown out of employment.

Miss Baynes conducted a dressmaking establishment over Morgan-Verhine Company, and her property was a total loss.

A pressing club, conducted over Beckham, Jones & Murphy, was a total loss.

**TYPEWRITERS FOR SALE.**

All makes of typewriters for sale on liberal terms to solvent parties at prices ranging from \$30.00 to \$65.00. Each typewriter as good and will do the work of a new one, and is guaranteed to do so. All kind of office supplies and Typewriter Ribbons for sale. Typewriters repaired on short notice. Phone or write us and we will be glad to send a man to see you.—Tennessee Supply Co., W. W. Moore, Mgr., Union City, Tennessee.

**THINK THIS OVER.**

**This Offer Should Gain the Confidence of the Most Skeptical.**

We pay for all the medicine used during the trial. If our remedy fails to completely relieve you of constipation. We take all the risk. You are not obligated to us in any way whatever. If you accept our offer. That's a mighty broad statement, but we mean every word of it. Could anything be more fair for you?

A most scientific, common-sense treatment is Hexall Orderlies, which are eaten like candy. Their active principle is a recent scientific discovery that is odorless, colorless, and tasteless; very pronounced, gentle, and pleasant in action, and particularly agreeable in every way. This ingredient does not cause diarrhea, nausea, flatulence, griping, or other inconvenience. Hexall Orderlies are particularly good for children, aged and delicate persons.

If you suffer from chronic or habitual constipation, or the associated or dependent chronic ailments, we urge you to try Hexall Orderlies at our risk. Remember, you can get them only at our store. 12 tablets, 10 cents; 36 tablets, 25 cents; 80 tablets, 50 cents. Sold only at our store.—The Rexall Store. The Hickman Drug Co.

Get your money's worth at Hickman Furniture Co.

by those in a position to know that the deal will be closed and that the company contemplates the erection of a seven-story gin. The Roberta Oil Co. is a big concern. They operate gins and oil mills at a number of places, and their advent into our territory is taken to mean a lively business in the cotton trade for the coming season. Predictions are that four gins in Hickman will have a tendency to stop cotton going to Union City, Troy and other points, which should be handled here. Not only that, but it is probable that much of the cotton in the territory of other towns will come to Hickman, thus practically doubling our cotton business. At any rate, the town that gets Hickman cotton next year will have to pay all its worth.

**EGGS FOR SALE.**

Eggs from standard bred, Black Langshan, Buff Rocks and White Wyandottes. Satisfaction guaranteed. Always in the lead with the best.—Mrs. Annie McDaniel, Hickman, Ky.

No extra charge for slight repairs or sewing on buttons.—White Bros., phone 195.

Will Shelby, of Portageville, Mo., is visiting his brother, John Shelby.

Don't wear soiled gloves. We clean them for 25c. We clean and block Panama and straw hats.—White Bros.

Mrs. Mary Shoffner, age 70, died at her home in Union City, Saturday.

Let us have your Easter cleaning and pressing now.—White Bros.

Motors are being installed right along. Get in the band wagon if you want good service by operating machinery with electricity.





## One hundred cents for your dollar—

The price you pay for Peerless Prepared Roofing is based on what it costs to manufacture. The figure we ask is the lowest price that can be made, for actual cost of material and manufacture come so close that you'd be surprised to see how narrow our profit margin is. But we are satisfied—satisfied to give you one hundred cents' worth of roofing value for every dollar you spend—satisfied to sell you

## Peerless Roofing

because we know that quality will bring you back for more.

Peerless represents the absolute pinnacle of perfection in the manufacture of prepared roofing. All that years of experience, a modern manufacturing plant, skilled workmen, and the best material possible, can produce is offered under this brand. No man could ask more. You need not be satisfied with less.

Are you willing to spend a little time for the sake of finally and positively ending your roof troubles and expense? Then—come in and talk it over.

**T. R. Reynolds**

## REPLIES TO QUERIES

### HINTS AND ADVICE ON ALL KINDS OF SOCIAL FORMS.

Mme. Merri, Most Noted Authority on Such Subjects, Also Furnishes Helping Ideas for Varieties of Home Entertainments.

I want your advice—and hope I don't ask too many questions of you.

Will you suggest a buffet supper for a simple home wedding?

Does the bridegroom furnish the flowers for the bride and her maid? What floral decorations, and what flower for the bride's bouquet would you suggest for a February wedding?

Is it the proper and necessary thing to make a gift to the bride-maid and to the pianist also if they are relatives? And for the groom to present the best man with some gift? What would you suggest as being appropriate?

Is a black suit, white vest, white shirt and tie a conventional dress for an afternoon wedding—'at'?

For a winter buffet supper have scalloped or creamed oysters in patties, chicken salad, cold turkey, coffee, olives, salted nuts, ice cream, cake, bonbons. The bridegroom presents the bride and her attendants with their flowers. In large cities most of the spring flowers, like hyacinths, tulips and jonquills, are obtainable in February; roses are always lovely with carnations, which are acceptable and beautiful at all seasons.

It is quite customary to present the attendants and pianist with some token, usually a pin or something for personal adornment. The men of the party most always have scarf pins or cuff links besides ties and gloves.

#### Questions From "A. M."

Would you please tell me what would be a proper gift to give to a girl friend whom I have been keeping company with for awhile, as she graduates from the public school this year. Is it proper to give a present when graduating from public schools?

Do you think a boy eighteen years old and a girl seventeen years old would be too young to keep steady company, and go to a show or entertainment once in a while if her parents don't object? Do you think we would be too young to attend private dances at this age?—A. M.

It has become quite the custom to bestow gifts on graduates and I would suggest a new book, a card case, a box of candy prettily put up. I think that young people your age are too young to go with each other steadily, for it is not fair to either of you. See a lot of other girls and boys and be good friends with all. We cannot help having our preferences, but it is just as well not to express them decidedly too early in life. Take the girl out occasionally.

#### Birthday Party for Ten-Year-Old.

I wish to give my little girl, who will be ten years old the 25th of February, a birthday party. The guests will number fifteen or twenty, ages ranging from seven to twelve years. What would you suggest for refreshments, games, prizes, souvenirs, etc.? I do not wish for anything elaborate, but would like something different. Please answer in the Sunday paper. Thank you.—Anxious.

For refreshments you must have ice cream, or it would not be a party. Also a big frosted cake with ten candles and "one to grow on." At the age of ten girls love to dress dolls, and I heard of a most successful party where the girls dressed two dolls, and prizes were offered for the best one. An hour was allotted to the task. A box of letter paper and a box of candy make excellent prizes, or cups and saucers. Cuddling little baskets may be given for favors.

#### Questions From "Perplexed."

If a girl of seventeen never has had a sweetheart or does not care to go with boys at this age, do you think it is right to call her "old maid"? She thinks it looks unattractive to flirt and have regular sweethearts at the age of seventeen.

Do you think a stenographer is a desirable position for a girl?

Which are worn now, large hats or small ones?—Perplexed.

I think it is most unkind and rude to make fun or hurt any one's feelings and a girl is by no means an old maid. The position of stenographer is often a very desirable one. Both large and small hats are worn, depends upon which is most becoming, and on which occasion it is to be worn.

#### Card Etiquette.

Please tell me how many of one's own and their husband's cards should be left when calling. Can you recommend a book on such matters?—E. M. F.

When calling upon a husband and wife, leave one of yours and two of your husband's cards; when paying a visit upon a widow or an unmarried person just leave one of yours and one of your husband's. For each unmarried person in society one card is left. For name of a small up-to-date book of etiquette send me a self-addressed, stamped envelope in care of the paper.

## RAT IS SOLD AS PET DOG

The renewal of the fashion for small dogs has led to a remarkable case of fraud, the victim of which is one of the best known women in Paris society. Walking up and down the fashionable side of the Avenue de Bois de Boulogne was a man who had several toy dogs to show off, ostensibly for sale. One of the smallest of them was a particularly diminutive specimen of the griffon. Finally a woman stepped up to ask its price. The man made the little dog perform several tricks, and then, after some minutes' conversation, informed her that he had a still more remarkable specimen in his coat pocket. He then fished out a little creature scarcely more than half the size of the first.

The woman concluded what she thought was a bargain and what the man said was a sacrifice. She put the little one in her muff, went off to luncheon and, on getting home again, pulled him out from his hiding place. For a minute or two the animal showed fear, but then, to her great amazement and that of her servant, the little griffon suddenly started toward the window and ran up one of the curtains with the speed and agility not at all unlike the best known qualities of a mouse. The butler and footman were called, and there was an exciting chase about the drawing room before the little wonder was captured. The new owner was then rather more horrified than surprised to find that her griffon was nothing but a rather oversized rat that had been sewed into a dog's skin.

## CHINA'S DISAPPEARING JEWS



The Jewish race, which has preserved its race integrity elsewhere, has found the vast numbers of China too much for it. Remnants still remain of a colony that settled in Kai-Fong twenty centuries ago, but their race traditions are only a vague memory. William Edgar Gell, who has visited them, writes:

"The early annals tell of them, and there is good reason to believe that they have been in China two thousand years. But for three centuries they have gathered at this capital, and have degenerated with it. Two hundred years ago they had a handsome block of buildings, with a synagogue sixty by forty. Sixty years ago they had suffered by a great flood, and only two hundred Jews were left. In 1866 Dr. Martin found that they had pulled down all their buildings and sold the materials, some being built into a mosque. A later observer reported that some had turned Buddhist, some Moslem, and some were studying the Confucian classics. Today we found that only seven families remained; the very soil had been sold, and is being carted away to raise the level of other parts, so that a stagnant pond covers the ancient site. The wretched survivors seem to get their living by transporting the earth, though they so far recollect their past as to have a few rubbings of the former inscriptions to sell. Their religion has evaporated, for they have no Hebrew schools and could not read them if they had; only they still eat no pork, nor worship idols, nor burn incense to their ancestors. Israel in Kai-Fong is a has-been."

## WIFE'S WORDS WERE FATAL

To have lived under the same roof for a quarter of a century with his wife without either speaking to the other and to die of heart failure when she broke the silence was the fate of Louis Roser, capitalist, of Maysville, Ky. Seated at the dinner table Mrs. Roser broke the silence by asking her husband to have a cup of coffee.

"I believe I will," he replied.

With these words he fell back to his chair, stricken with heart trouble, and died.

In his will Roser left everything to his wife and requested that his body be cremated and the ashes cast into the Ohio river from the suspension bridge in Cincinnati.

## TO MOTHERS—AND OTHERS.

You can use Luckien's Arnica Salve to cure children of eczema, rashes, teething, chilblains, scaly and crusted humors, as well as their accidental injuries—cuts, burns, bruises, etc., with perfect safety. Nothing else heals so quickly. For boils, ulcers, old, running or fever sores or piles it has no equal. 25 cts. at Helm & Ellison.

Seed Potatoes and Garden Seed CASH.—Hattersworth & Prather.

You pay for what you get on a meter, no more flat rates.

# That Terrible Cyclone

THIS is the month—Tornado Insurance protects your Roof, Windows, Doors, Chimneys, and, in fact, your whole house, at a ridiculously low price.

**A. E. KENNEDY**

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"BETTER BE INSURED THAN SORRY"

## A CHANGE

We are installing machinery for the purpose of changing all of our electrical system to the alternating current.

The "direct current," which has existed in the business district for the operation of electric fans, will be abolished.

All fans, lights, cooking and heating devices, motors, etc., can be operated twenty-four hours per day.

Parties owning direct current fans will do well to list them for sale, as they will not operate on the new current.

All current will be measured by meter.

**Hickman Ice & Coal Co.**

J. T. DILLON, Manager

## REAL ESTATE BARGAINS.

No. 80. One lot 75x150 in Southern Heights, with privilege of additional ground if wanted. Small barn on lot. Walks, light and water at front of property.

No. 81. Two residences on lot 100 by 180. One 10-room house, one 4-room house. Located on Troy avenue. Well improved and in good neighborhood. Small house rents at \$8 and large at \$15.

No. 82. Nice 8-room residence, bath, etc. Located on corner lot. About three blocks from business section. Lot 66x99.

No. 83. Nice corner lot in Henry Addition. Large enough for two houses, or one house and good garden. Located near northern extremity of the addition.

No. 84. Residence of 8 rooms located in heart of business section. Fine location for business man. \$2600 cash will swing deal.

No. 85. 1280 acres cut over timber land in Cash river bottom; does not overflow, fine soil and fine body of land. Would make dandy farm when cleared. Two miles from railroad; 15 miles from Jonesboro, Ark. Will sell all or part of tract for half cash on long time payments. Price per acre \$15. Easily worth \$50 when cleared.

No. 86. Farm of 93 acres, 50 in cultivation, rest timber. All high, dry bottom land, under wire fence, good 4-room house, large barn, two wells, small orchard, soil dark loam. Farm will produce fine corn, cotton, hay, fruits, etc. Quarter mile from railroad station. Price \$45 with term if wanted. Near Jonesboro, Ark.

No. 87. Forty acre farm, 35 acres in cultivation; 10 acres bottom, balance ridge. Good 3-room house, barn, good water, on 2 public roads, fine

land. Near school and half mile to railroad station, 5 miles from Jonesboro. Fine fruit and poultry farm; also cotton and corn, etc. Price \$27.50 an acre; terms if wanted.

No. 88. Fine old farm, 2 1/2 miles southeast of Hickman on Dresden road. Contains 190 acres fine land, well improved. Raises fine cotton, corn, wheat, etc. We are not going to make a long talk about this farm. It will bear close inspection, and we are going to sell it. We will sell the whole place together; we will sell 130 acres of it or we will sell 65 acres. Part cash, balance to suit purchaser.

No. 89.—Sold.

No. 90. Four lots, each 50x150 feet, on good level ground in Southern Heights. Broad street in front, concrete walks on both sides, water-mains and sewer already in. Will sell one or more lots to suit purchaser. This property comes under special restrictions—no negroes no surface closets, no residence to cost less than \$1,000. Best residence section in Hickman, with no city taxes. This addition was opened last year and eight new houses have gone up; others will go up this spring.

No. 91.—Sold.

No. 92. Nice 6 room residence, almost new, lot 60x150, outbuildings, city water, etc., located in southeast part of town in splendid neighborhood, and close to Hickman College. Place will bear close inspection. For \$1650 you can get a deed to this pretty little house.

No. 93. The Dr. H. E. Prather home, located in one of the best neighborhoods in the city, with magnificent river view. House contains seven rooms, city water, electric lights, outbuildings, etc., with big, roomy lot. A very desirable place for a home for any business man. \$2000 will buy it; easy terms.

For further information, apply at the Courier office.

## Notice...

To my Customers and friends:—On account of bad debts I am forced to sell for cash, except to those who can pay up in 30 days. By doing this I can sell from 5 to 15 per cent cheaper. It will pay you to buy from me and pay cash. Phone 154.

**Hickman Harness Co.**

# Sick Women

When shown positive and reliable proof that a certain remedy had cured many cases of female ills, wouldn't any sensible woman conclude that the same remedy would also benefit her if suffering with the same trouble?

Here are five letters from southern women which prove the efficiency of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

#### LETTER FROM VIRGINIA.

Elliston, Va.—"I feel it my duty to express my thanks to you and your great medicine. I was a sufferer from female troubles and had been confined in bed over one third of my time for ten months. I could not do my housework and had fainting spells so that my husband could not leave me alone for five minutes at a time.

Now I owe my health to Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Blood Purifier. Whenever I see a suffering woman I want to tell her what these medicines have done for me and I will always speak a good word for them."—Mrs. ROBERT BLANKENSHIP, Elliston, Montgomery Co., Va.

#### LETTER FROM LOUISIANA.

New Orleans, La.—"I was passing through the Change of Life and before I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I was troubled with hot flashes, weak and dizzy feelings, backache and irregularities. I would get up in the morning feeling tired out and not fit to do anything.

"Since I have been taking your Compound and Blood Purifier I feel all right. Your medicines are worth their weight in gold."—Mrs. GASTON BIRONDEAU, 1541 Polynnia St., New Orleans, La.

#### LETTER FROM FLORIDA.

Wauchula, Fla.—"Some time ago I wrote to you giving you my symptoms, headache, backache, bearing-down, and discomfort in walking, caused by female troubles.

"I got two bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and a package of Sanative Wash and that was all I used to make me a well woman. I am satisfied that if I had done like a good many women, and had not taken your remedies, I would have been a great sufferer. But I started not with the right medicine and got well. It did not cost very much in time with the right medicine and got well. It did not cost very much either. I feel that you are a friend to all women and I would rather use your remedies than have a doctor."—Mrs. MATTIE HONOR, Box 406, Wauchula, Florida.

#### LETTER FROM WEST VIRGINIA.

Martinsburg, W. Va.—"I am glad to say that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done wonders for my mother, daughter and myself.

"I have told dozens of people about it and my daughter says that when she hears a girl complaining with cramps, she tells her to take your Compound."—Mrs. MARY A. HOCKENBERRY, 712 N. 3rd St., Martinsburg, W. Va.

#### ANOTHER LETTER FROM VIRGINIA.

Newport News, Va.—"About five years ago I was troubled with such pains and bleeding every month that I would have to go to bed.

"A friend told me to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and I soon found relief. The medicine strengthened me in every way and my doctor approved of my taking it.

"I will be glad if my testimony will help some one who is suffering from female weakness."—Mrs. W. J. BLAYTON, 1029 Hampton Ave., Newport News, Va.

Why don't you try this reliable remedy?



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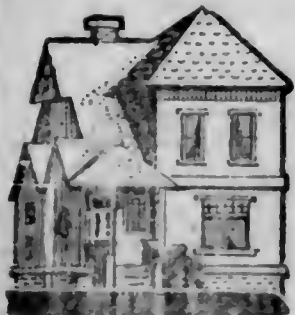
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can be beautifully settled by using the electric. You will find it more convenient, more cleanly, more adaptable to your needs, and of course more effective in light-giving qualities. Why not arrange with us to have the light in your place, the same as other modern households.

**Hickman Ice & Coal Co.**  
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JOHN DILLON, Jr., Manager.



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**Be Careful**

We are installing a "DAY CIRCUIT," and our lines will carry 2300 volts of electricity twenty-four hours per day.

Telephone and Telegraph employees are especially warned to avoid contact with our system.

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J. T. DILLON, Manager

**MY LADY OF DOUBT**  
BY RANDALL PARRISH  
Author of "Love Under Fire," "My Lady of the North Sea"  
Illustrations by HENRY THREDE  
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### CHAPTER I.

**A Perilous Mission.**  
Several of us had remained rather late that evening about the cheerful fire in front of my hut—for the nights were still chilly, although it was May, and the dreadful winter passed—discussing the improved condition of our troops, the rigid discipline of Baron de Steuben, and speculating on what would probably be attempted now that Sir Henry Clinton had succeeded to the command of the forces opposing us. I remember Maxwell joined us, together with Knox of the artillery, each man with a different theory of campaign, but alike agreeing that, in spite of all we had endured during those months of suffering and privation at Valley Forge, the time to strike once again was near at hand, although our numbers were barely half that of the enemy.

It must have been midnight when I crept into a bunk, and even then found sleep absent, my eyes gazing out through the open door to where the embers of the fire glowed red, and a sentinel paced back and forth in regular monotony. Suddenly he halted, and challenged hoarsely, flinging forward his gun. There was an indistinguishable answer, and as I straightened up the figure of a man blotted out the doorway.

"Major Lawrence?"  
"Yes. What is it?" I swung to the door, unable to recognize the voice. The man's hand rose to salute.

"I am Colonel Gibbs' orderly. General Hamilton wishes you to report at once at headquarters."

"The Potts house?"

"Yes, sir."

I dressed hastily, my pulses throbbing with eagerness. Whatever the message meant, there was certainly some purpose of vital importance in sending for me at this unusual hour, and I was boy enough still to welcome any form of active service. No duty of the war had so tried me as the long winter of waiting. Yet, rapidly as I moved, the orderly had disappeared before I got outside, and I picked my way as best I could alone through the darkness, along the rear of McIntosh's hut, until I reached the low fence surrounding the Potts house. Here a sentinel challenged, calling the corporal of the guard, and in his company I trudged up the path to the front door. There was a light showing through the window to the left, although the shade was closely drawn, and a guard stood within the hall. At the first sound of our approach, however, a side door was flung open, letting forth a gleam of illumination, and I perceived the short, slight figure of Hamilton, as he peered forward to get a better glimpse of my face.

"All right, corporal," he said tersely, gripping my hand. "Come in, major; your promptness would seem to indicate a readiness to get into service once more."

"I had not yet fallen asleep," I explained, "but we are all eager enough for action of any description."

He smiled cheerily.

"You will soon be busy, never fear." He closed the door behind us, and, with a glance, I viewed the room and its occupants. It was a small, low-ceilinged apartment, containing a table, a few chairs and a high commode. A few coals glowed in the wide fireplace, and the walls were dingy with smoke. Three candles, already burning low, gave fitful illumination, revealing four occupants, all known to me. At an open door to the right stood a sweet-faced woman, glancing back curiously at my entrance, and I whipped off my hat bowing low. Once before I had seen her, Mistress Washington, and welcomed the gracious recognition in her eyes. Colonel Gibbs stood before the fireplace motionless, but my glance swept past him to the calm, uplifted face above the pile of papers littering the table. He was not looking at me, but his eyes were turned toward his wife.

"It is not necessary for you to retire," he said quietly. "We shall not detain this gentleman except for a few moments."

"It is not because of the major's coming I withdraw," she replied pleasantly, "but the hour is late, and I am very tired. Good night, all."

Washington's eyes were upon the door until it closed; then he turned slightly, facing me. Before he spoke again, Hamilton broke in:

"This is the officer, sir, recommended by General Maxwell—Major Lawrence of the Maryland line."

I bowed silently, and the commander rose to his feet, extending his hand. "No doubt we have met before," he said slowly. "You have been with us for some time?"

"My first action was at Harlem, sir."

"You could not have been at Valley Forge during the past winter, however?"

"I was with the Marquis de la Fayette at Albany."

"Ah, yes," his face clouding at the recollection. "A young officer, Hamilton, but capable, no doubt. You have used him before, you said?"

"Yes, at Long Island, and he entered New York once at my request." Washington's gray eyes were still on my face.

"Lawrence is a Massachusetts name."

"Not exclusively," I returned, "as our branch are Virginians."

The stern lines about the mouth relaxed into a smile.

"Indeed; from the eastern shore, then. I recall now having once met a Judge John Lawrence, whose wife was a Lee."

"My father, sir."

His hand rested firm on my shoulder, as his glance turned to Hamilton.

"I require no further commendation, colonel. You will find the papers in the second drawer. Please explain all the details carefully to Major Lawrence."

"This is a simple duty, major," said Hamilton, "but may prove a dangerous one. You have been selected because of previous successful efforts of a similar nature, but the commander-in-chief does not order your going; we seek a volunteer."

"Without asking the nature of the service," I answered staunchly, "I rejoice at the privilege."

"I knew that, Lawrence," he heartily. "That answer accords with your well-earned reputation throughout the army. I will explain briefly the situation. Early this evening our pickets—

or rather some partisan scouts near Newtown—captured a British officer, in field uniform, on his way from New York to Sir William Howe in Philadelphia. The prisoner was brought here, and on examination proved to be

Lieut. Edgar Fortesque of the Forty-second regiment of foot. These troops came over with the last detachment, and arrived in New York less than a month ago. On searching Fortesque's clothing we found this dispatch," holding out a sealed paper, "which we opened. It is not of any great military importance, being merely an order for Howe to proceed at once to New York, taking with him certain officers of his staff, and placing a naval vessel at his disposal."

He paused, turning the paper over in his hands.

"However," he went on slowly, "it affords us the opportunity we have long been seeking of getting a competent military observer into Philadelphia. Now that Sir Henry Clinton is in command of the British forces directly opposing us, it is necessary that we know accurately their number, state of discipline, guns and any point of weakness in the defenses of the city. We require also information regarding the division of troops under Sir Henry's command—the proportion of British, Hessians and Tories, together with some inkling as to Clinton's immediate plans. There is a rumor abroad that Philadelphia is to be evacuated, and that the British forces contemplate a retreat overland to New York. Civilian fugitives drift into our camp constantly, bearing all manner of wild reports, but these accounts are so varied as to be practically valueless. We must possess accurate details, and to gain these a man would need to be in the city several days, free to move about, observe, and converse with the officers of the garrison. Do I make myself clear?"

"Yes, sir; you propose forwarding the dispatch by an officer who shall impersonate this captured lieutenant."

"That is the plan."

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"Exactly. Fortesque is a young fellow of about your age and build. He has been in the army only eight months and in this country less than thirty days. It is scarcely probable he is known personally to any of the present Philadelphia garrison. There is a risk, of course, but in this case it would seem to be small." He picked up a paper from off the table. "Here is an officer's roster of the forty-second regiment. It might be well for you to familiarize yourself with a few of the names."

I studied the list a moment, bending down closer to the nearest candle, while rapidly scanning in my own



"No Doubt We Have Met Before."

mind the duty required. I had no thought of refusal, yet appreciated to the full the possible danger of the venture, and felt anxious to make no serious mistake. I had achieved a reputation for reckless daring, yet this kind of service was hardly to my liking. To wear British uniform meant my condemnation as a spy, if discovered, and a death of disgrace. I had been within the lines of the enemy often before, but always as a scout, wearing the homespun of the Maryland line, but this was to be a masquerade, a juggling with chance. I was not greatly afraid of being unmasked by the officers of the garrison, but there were those then in Philadelphia who knew me—loyalists, secret sympathizers with our cause, and not a few deserters from the army—whom I might encounter at any turn in the road. The prospect was not alluring, yet a glance aside at the profile of Washington, now bending low over a mass of papers, instantly stifled my resolve. It was work I had no excuse to shirk—indeed no inclination—so I returned Hamilton's glance of inquiry frankly.

"You wish me to go at once?"

"The earlier the better. I will furnish passports through our lines, and hard riding will put you across the neutral ground by daylight."

### CHAPTER II.

#### Within the Enemy's Lines.

A long cavalry cape concealing the British uniform I wore, my horse and myself were ferried across the Schuylkill, just below the mouth of Valley creek, and there, amid the silence and darkness of the eastern shore, I parted with Hamilton, who had accompanied me thus far, whispering final words of instruction. My horse was a fresh one, chosen from the stables of the Life Guard, but the trappings were of the British service. Within five minutes I was out of sight of the picket fire on the river bank, riding steadily southeast through the night, every nerve alert. As hour after hour found me well beyond our outermost pickets, yet, in fear that I might encounter some body of irregulars, scouting the neutral ground, I held on to my passport until I perceived the first flush of dawn in the east. Then, convinced of close proximity to the British guard lines, I tore the paper into fragments. Avoiding all roads, and seeking every bit of concealment possible, it was already sunrise before I plunged suddenly into a Hessian picket post, the distant smoke of the Philadelphia chimneys darkening the sky ahead. Unable to speak German, my uniform won sufficient courtesy, so that I was escorted back under guard to an outpost of the Queen's Rangers, where I explained my presence and rank to a red-faced captain in Tory green, so insolent in manner as to be insulting, until I exhibited the sealed dispatch, and demanded to be escorted at once to Sir William Howe. This brought results, and I entered the city under escort of a dozen horsemen, their green coats faced with dingy white, cocked hats flapping as they rode.

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"MY LADY OF  
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It was thus we came to Callowhill, and the encampment of British grenadiers, an officer of the Fifty-fifth regiment volunteering to guide me to Howe's quarters in High street. He was a genial fellow, and pointed out various places of interest, as we rode more slowly through the streets close along the river side, questioning me often upon affairs in New York, to which I returned such vague answers as pleased me, paying small heed to the truth. All along the river were redoubts, well garrisoned, with black gun muzzles pointing out across the water. Many houses had been razed, and their debris, together with the fire ruin of the past winter, gave to everything a look of desolation. Much artillery was parked in the state house yard, and several vessels of war were lying at anchor in the stream, while the entire shore line was filled with barges, decorated as for a fête, a large force of men laboring about them. My companion, observing my interest attracted in that direction, reined up his horse to explain.

"Those are the galleys being made ready for the Mischianza, Fortesque," he said, waving his hand. "You came to us at a lucky hour."

"The Mischianza?" I asked, puzzled by the strange term. "Some festival, you mean?—some gala day?"

"Tis an Italian word, they tell me, signifying medley. The officers give it in farewell to Sir William, who will sail tomorrow. A pretty penny it costs. See, there is Major O'Hara now, one of the managers; there are three others, Sir John Wrottesley, Major Gardiner, and the chief engineer, Montresor. Do you know them? Not Oh, I had forgotten you have only just arrived. You will know them ere long, however, for they are the leaders in such affairs. That is Captain Andre there with O'Hara," he waved his hand, and the younger officer lifted his cocked hat in acknowledgment. "Let us spur over there, Lieutenant, until I get you a ticket of invitation."

I followed, careless of the loss of time so I could both see and hear.

"Andre, this is Lieutenant Fortesque just in from New York with dispatches for Howe. I have promised him a ticket for tonight."

The young officer laughingly extended a hand.

"The more the merrier, Craig. With the Forty-second, see, sir, knew your colonel well. You'll find America isn't so bad, after you get used to it. We've had a gay time here, eh, O'Hara? The best of liquor, and the prettiest of girls, and now we'll show the town something it won't forget in a hurry." He held out a card to me. "Rather ornate, considering the printers in these colonies; designed it myself."

It was certainly a handsome souvenir, perhaps six inches by four in size, engraved as in a shield, yielding a view of the sea, with the setting sun, and on a wreath the words, "Lucco descendens, anteo splendore resurgam," while at the top was the general's crest, bearing the words, "Vive vale."

"A fine conceit, indeed," I confessed, "and if the pageant be equal to its promise 'twill be well worth the seeing. What is the purpose, gentlemen?"

"To give Sir William fit farewell," returned Andre, pleased at my unstinted praise. "And now that the Lord has sent us a fine day, I can promise a festival worthy the herald. But, Fortesque, if you would have audience with Howe, I advise you to get on, for he will have few spare moments between now and day-dawn tomorrow."

We parted with much bowing, Craig and I guiding our horses through the crowded streets, being kept too busy avoiding accidents to exchange conversation. Howe's headquarters on High street were not pretentious, and, except for a single sentinel posted at the door, were unguarded. I was admitted without delay. An aide took my name, and within a very few moments Sir William himself entered through a rear door, attired in field uniform. He greeted me with much affability, glancing hastily over the papers handed him, and then into my face.

"These do not greatly change my former plans," he said, "but I am glad

"I believe that was left to my own discretion. I should be glad of a day or two in Philadelphia."

"Easily arranged. While I shall leave the city tomorrow so as to give Clinton a fair field, I shall remain on Lord Howe's flagship for some little time previous to final departure for New York. You had better mess here with my staff. Mabry," turning to the aide, "see that Lieutenant Fortesque has breakfast, and procure him a pass good indefinitely within our lines. You will pardon my withdrawal, as the officers of the garrison promise me an exceedingly busy day. We will meet again, no doubt."

He clasped my hand warmly, and withdrew, leaving me alone with the aide, half-ashamed, I confess, of having been compelled to deceive. Yet the very ease of it all stimulated endeavor, and I conversed lightly with Mabry over the mess table, and, when the orderly returned with the necessary pass, I was keen to start upon my round of inspection, utterly forgetful of having been up and in saddle all night. Mabry could not leave his duties to accompany me, but courteously furnished a fresh horse, and assigned a private of dragoons to guide me about the city. By ten o'clock we were off, my only fear being the possible meeting with some acquaintance.

In this, however, I was happily disappointed, as there were few civilians on the streets, the throngs of soldiers, off duty for a holiday, with all discipline relaxed, being hoisterous, and considerably under the influence of liquor. The uniform worn, together with my dragoon guard, saved me from trouble, and I found the fellow sufficiently intelligent to be of value. I dare not make notes, and yet recall clearly even now the stations of the troops, together with a clear mental outline of the main defenses of the city. I made no attempt to pass beyond the limits, but, from statements of the dragoon, and various officers with whom I conversed, mapped in my mind the entire scheme of defense. I visited a number of these encampments, finding in each merely a small guard retained for the day, the majority of the troops being off on liberty. Soon after noon these began to throng the water front, eager to view the coming spectacle. I was, myself, in the Yager's camp, finishing a late lunch, with a few officers, when the announcement came that the water procession had started.

#### CHAPTER III.

The Fets and Mischianza. I confess that up to this time I had experienced little interest in the affair. After Valley Forge it was hard for an American soldier to admire such boys' play, or to enter into the spirit of British fun making. Besides the danger of my position, the fear of some slip of tongue betraying me,

the knowledge that I was in the very heart of the enemy's camp, with grim, stern duties to perform and a return journey to accomplish, kept me nervous to a point where I thought of little else than my task. But now I dared not remain indifferent, and, indeed, the enthusiasm of my companions became contagious, and I joined with them eagerly, as they hurried forth to the best point of view. Once there the sight revealed aroused me to an enthusiasm scarcely less than that of those crowding about. Faw, indeed, have ever witnessed so gorgeous a spectacle as that river presented.

Well out in the stream lay the vessels of war—the Fanny, Roebuck and Vigilant—together with a long line of transports, stretching as far as the eye could see, flags flying, and decks crowded with spectators. The pageant came down with the tide, moving in three divisions to the inspiring music of several bands, the oars of galleys and barges keeping exact intervals. As they passed us the officers beside me named the various occupants. In

the leading galley were Sir William, Lord Howe, Sir Henry Clinton, the officers of their suites and some ladies. In the last of the boats stood General Knyphausen, the Hessian commander. Between these were flat-boats, covered with green cloth, loaded with ladies and gentlemen, or else containing bands. Six barges, dashing here and there, kept open space amid the swarms of small boats. Everywhere the eye swept over a riot of color, and the ear caught a babel of sound. As the last barge glided by the man next me growled in disgust:

"Those are lucky dogs off duty today." His eye caught mine. "Why don't you go after them, Fortesque? There will be plenty of fun afoot yonder where they land."

"Where is that?"

"At the old fort; follow the crowd, and you'll not go astray. Have you a ticket?"

"Captain Andre honored me with one this morning."

"Then you are good for the first row. Don't miss it, man," with enthusiasm. "Twill be such a sight as has not been witnessed since the Field of the Cloth of Gold."

"A passage at arms, you mean?"

"Ay; as gorgeous as those of the old-time knights; a fair conceit as I read the program. I'd be there now but for the damned orders that hold me here. If you ride hard you can make the spot before they come ashore."

There was no reason I should not go, and much in the glittering prospect appealed to me. Five minutes later I was trotting out of the Yager camp, pressing passage through the crowds, already headed southward, the dragoon riding silently at my heels. Mounted men that day were few, and, doubtless believing we were connected with the pageant, the jam sullenly parted, and gave us opening, so we reached the site of the old fort as the barges began discharging their occupants. A glance about, however, convinced me as to where the lists were to be run, and I headed my horse in that direction and gained a point of vantage before the throng poured in.

I was somewhat to the right of the big stand, the restive heels of my horse keeping the crowd away, and with a clear view as far as the river bank. It was, maybe, 400 yards down a gentle slope to the water's edge, where the line was forming. This passageway was lined with onlookers, held back by numerous guards, while to my left extended a square lawn, perhaps 150 yards each way, surrounded by a double rank of grenadiers, the bayonets gleaming on their guns. This open space was equipped with everything needed for the coming tourney, and on three sides were tiers of raised seats. I had barely observed all this when the guns of the Roebuck, echoed by those of the Vigilant, began to boom a salute, and the head of the column of marchers began slowly mounting the slope. The costumes worn were as varied as those of a masquerade, representing all the changes since the days of chivalry. The whole line glowed with color, and gleamed with steel.

Like some great serpent, glittering in the sun, this procession passed under the triumphal arches and disappeared as its members took prescribed positions on the stands, or in the pavilions bordering the field of contest. As thus arranged the grouping of colors was most brilliant. In the front of each pavilion were seven young ladies, attired picturesquely in Turkish costume, wearing in their turbans those favors with which they meant to reward the knights contending in their honor. Behind these, and occupying all the upper seats, were the maidens representing the two divisions of the day's sports—ladies of the Blended Rosa and ladies of the Burning Mountain. From the crowd surging around I heard name after name mentioned, as famous Philadelphia belles were pointed out, not a few familiar to me. Even as I gazed upon that galaxy of beauty, half angry that Americans should take part in such a spectacle of British triumph, the field was cleared for the lists, and a sound of trumpets came to us from a distance.

Ont into the opening rode the contending knights, attended by esquires on foot, dressed in ancient habits of white and red silk, and mounted on gray horses. From the other direction appeared their opponents, in black and orange, riding black steeds, while to the center advanced the herald loudly proclaiming the challenge. I knew not who they all were, but they made a gallant show, and I overheard many a name spoken of soldiers met in battle—Lord Cathcart, Captain Andre, Major Tarlton, Captain Scott. Ay! and they fought well that day, those White and Black knights on the mimic field. At last the two chiefs—Lord Cathcart for the Whites, and Captain Watson for the Blacks, for the Blacks—were alone contending furiously, when the marshal of the field rushed in between, and struck up their weapons, declaring the contest done, the honor of each side proven. As the company broke up, flowing forward to the great house beyond, the vast crowd of onlookers burst through the guard lines, and, like a mighty torrent, swept over the field. It was a wild, jubilant, yelling mass, so dense as to be irresistible, even those of us on horseback being pressed forward, helpless chips on the stream.

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Today you can not have a picture of yourself or dear ones as you looked years ago. Put not off to the morrow what can be done today. Call on your photographer and occasionally have a few made right. That will brighten your lives and bring some of the sunshine of the past to brighten your declining years.

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## EXCELLENT METHOD OF FEEDING CALVES



(By ROY C. POTTS, Oklahoma Agricultural College.)

The calf should be allowed to take the first milk from its dam, as nature requires this, and if her rules are violated, there will surely be trouble. After the calf has once nursed, it should be removed from its mother, but fed its mother's milk for a few days, depending on the vigor of the calf. Commence to add skim milk after a week or ten days, adding a small amount at first and increasing it daily until the calf is on an entire skim milk diet.

There are a few simple rules to follow in growing calves on skim milk. The milk must be sweet; it must be as warm as the mother's milk and care must be exercised not to feed too much of it. There are many more

calves injured by being fed too much skim milk than there are by not having enough. Four quarts at a feed twice per day is sufficient for the average sized calf for the first month. Add a spoonful of ground flaxseed to each feed and teach the calf to eat a little corn meal as soon as possible. Corn is the most economical food to balance a ration containing so much skim milk.

At the Indiana experiment station, in Bulletin No. 47, a record of work is given to show the relative cost of calves grown on skim milk and on whole milk. The skim milk calves cost less than four cents per pound and the whole-milk calves cost ten cents per pound, and the calves fed skim milk make as good growth as the ones fed whole milk.

## BOYS' COTTON CLUBS

Principal Crop Grown by Farmers in the South.

Education of Youth Will Be Far From Complete Unless He Has Made Study of Wonderful Plant—Objects of Work.

(By BRADFORD KNAPP.)

In most of the territory now covered by the Farmers' Cooperative Demonstration Work, cotton is the principal crop grown by the farmers. The education of a southern boy will be far from complete unless he has made a study of this wonderful plant which does so much to clothe the world, and which in recent years is becoming important as a source of oil and feed. Sufficient investigations have been made and trials had to convince us that there is a need and demand for cotton clubs.

The objects of the Boys' Demonstration Work are: First, to afford the rural teacher a simple and easy method of teaching practical agriculture in the schools in the way it must be acquired to be of any real service, namely, by actual work upon the farm. Second, to prove that there is more in the soil than the farmer has ever gotten out of it; to inspire boys with a love of the land by showing how they can get wealth out of it by tilling it in a better way and thus be helpful to the family and the neighborhood. Third, to give the boys a definite, worthy purpose and to stimulate a friendly rivalry among them.

These objects were stated in the beginning, and the boys' cotton clubs organized in pursuance thereof, opened the eyes of the south to its possibilities in the production of cotton and have stimulated an interest in agriculture and especially in the production of home supplies. Practical lessons like the lessons in any system of education must be progressive. Hence we believe the time has arrived when a few of the best of the cotton club boys can progress from corn production to cotton production and thus widen their useful knowledge and at the same time give them a basis for a thorough system of modern agriculture. The lessons of preparation, seed selection, and intensive cultivation will be continued as applied to cotton and in boll weevil sections they will be shown the department's method of raising cotton under boll weevil conditions. As in the case of the boys' cotton clubs, where the work is being organized the county superintendent of education and teachers, can best reach the boys in all sections of the country and thus can the teacher best be able to maintain interest in things of the farm and the boys to acquire valuable knowledge. The lessons of diversification will be made prominent. It will thus become an easy matter to impress the members of the clubs with practical and economic principles of farming such as abandonment of the system of raising all cotton and the using of more acres for food crops, more for soil improving crops and relatively less for cotton in each general farm plan. The advent of the boll weevil makes such a system imperative.

No better agency can be found to teach these great lessons than the energetic, persevering southern boys who have made such a great success in the cotton clubs. Nor is it proposed that interest in the cotton clubs shall be allowed to decrease. It is suggested that the cotton clubs be organized as an advanced class. The boy who has made a study of corn for one, two, or three years is far more competent to take up the more complicated study of cotton. It is recommended therefore that boys entering our clubs for the first time be urged to join the cotton clubs and that the cotton clubs be organized, so far as possible, from among the membership of the corn clubs. It will be all right, especially for the larger boys, to continue the corn work and at the same time take up the cotton.

The members of the cotton clubs will be expected to work at least two acres. Thus practically every boy will grow enough seed cotton to make a bale. The boy is advancing in this work and is more capable of handling a larger amount of land. Likewise he must have enough cotton so that it can be ginned separately and two acres is emphasized as the basis for the work. This plan will also have a tendency to classify the work. The boy who has time and strength to work but one acre should be a member of the corn club only.

It is not so important that a large number of boys be enrolled the first year, but it is exceedingly important that every boy's crop shall be a first-class demonstration. By doing the same kind of intelligent, persistent work which has been done in the cotton clubs, the boy can grow a large yield of improved cotton at a good profit in the worst infested boll weevil sections. Boys in Louisiana and Texas have already done this.

It is expected also that the boys in these clubs will study cotton-grading and standardization so that they will be able to classify and market their crops intelligently.

## BOLL WEEVIL INFESTED AREA

Limit of Spread of Insect in Alabama Now Definitely Established—Where Line Runs.

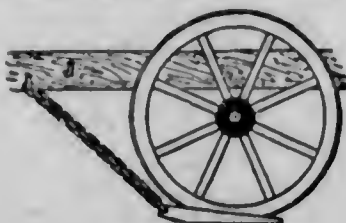
The limit of spread for the Mexican cotton boll weevil in Alabama for 1911 has now been definitely established. The weevil line runs from about Columbus, Miss., through Memphis, Plekens county; thence in a southeasterly direction west of and close to Gansville and Epes and through Centopa in Sumter county; through Myrtlewood and Hampton in Marengo county; east of Bethel, Wilcox county, through Monroe, Monroe county, to Repton, Conecuh county; thence through Pollard in Escambia county and directly south to the Gulf through Santa Rosa county, Fla.

The Alabama quarantine regulations apply to the entire weevil infested area and also to a "safety zone" twenty miles in width immediately outside of and adjoining the weevil infested area in Alabama or other state. This line is not likely to move until after August 1, 1912.

## WAGON BRAKE IS BENEFICIAL

Contrivance Used by City Teamsters Comes in Handy When Negotiating Any Steep Hill.

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may save trouble. It is better than locking a wheel with chain for it does the wheel no damage. An iron shoe is fastened to chain long enough to let wheel ride on shoe. When at bottom of hill back off and hang shoe on hook.

## Bantams As Watch "Dogs."

A half dozen bantam hens and a well-bred rooster will protect the poultry yard from cats, dogs and even rats almost as well as a dog. They are brave and spunky and will permit nothing dangerous to approach their premises.

## IN A GENERAL WAY!

Saturday was a rotten one.

C. H. (Clarence) Bruer and family leave this week for Roswell, N. M., where Mr. Bruer has contracted to look after a big ranch for J. B. Bruer and C. H. Steigler.

Barnard Bernheim, of Louisville, has bought in between \$35,000 and \$40,000 in western Hopkins County coal rights, over 3,746 acres, at \$8 an acre, and twenty-seven acres at the mine site.

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Did Mother Hubbard, She went to the cupboard To get her poor doggie a bone, But the back-tax attorney Had first made the journey, And so the poor doggie got stung

Miss Berde Thomas, of Mayfield, age 16, was bitten on the right ankle by a huge copperhead snake, Tuesday afternoon, near her home, about five miles northwest of town, and may die, her condition Wednesday afternoon being such that there was grave danger of her succumbing to the powerful poison.

The Fulton Weekly News says: While there seems to be no one in Fulton county urging their claims for appointment under the present state administration, we still feel that Fulton county, in the distribution of jobs, has been overlooked. We know that a desperate fight was waged during the sitting of the Assembly, and that many places were promised, but still Fulton county is entitled to recognition and we hope yet to see the governor and other members of his administration turn an eye of recognition to their friends here who made a fight for the ticket and helped to roll up the large majority last November. The fight made here against the "Liang" was fierce and victorious, and to the victors belong the spoils. Fulton county has a number of good men who could be induced to accept a good appointment.

## IRASCIBLE SQUIRREL

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We take pleasure in announcing that we have purchased two of the finest animals of the famous Oakwood Stock Farm—Iracible Squirrel, and the fine Jack, Kelley Star. Both of these animals will make the season of 1912 at Oakwood Stock Farm, 3 miles east of Hickman, Ky. This stock is too well known to need a lengthy description, and we will mention them only briefly.

## IRASCIBLE SQUIRREL

Iracible Squirrel is a black horse 16 hands high and weighs 1,200 pounds. He is the blackest of black horses, with the best of dispositions, fine mane and tail. He has fine length of neck and the best back that almost any horse ever had, with fine bone and a great deal of substance. He has fine, high action at all the gait and is an unusually fast racker, trotter and walker. Is a very fine breeder. This horse traces on his sire's side to Black Squirrel, Dave Skain, Pea Vine, all noted horses in saddle horse history. On his dam's side he traces to Membrino Patchen, Berthune (th) (sire of Van Meter's Waxy) (foundation stock) to Beld Hornet, an extra fine saddle stallion, and Grey Eagle (th).

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### NOTICE TO PARENTS.

The curfew whistle blows at 9 o'clock every night, and children under the age of 16 years must be kept off the streets of the City of Hickman after that hour, unless accompanied by parent or guardian, or be fined in accordance with the provisions of the curfew law. No exceptions, this law will be enforced.—Jno. Wright, City Marshal.

Lyman B. Canton, of near Bonz Chapel, died Friday, at the age of 62 years.

Fulton Leader: Ed Williamson, this week purchased the W. H. Jones farm near the Lodgton schoolhouse, consisting of 86 acres, more or less, for a consideration of \$8,000.

An exchange in speaking of a deceased citizen, said: "We know him as old Ten Per Cent—the more he had the less he spent—the more he got the less he lent—he was dead—we don't know where he went—but if his soul to heaven is sent—he'll own the harp and charge 'em rent."

### GLORIOUS NEWS.

comes from Dr. J. T. Curless, Dwight Kan. He writes: "I not only have cured bad cases of eczema in my patients with Electric Bitters, but also cured myself by them of the same disease. I feel sure they will benefit any case of eczema." This shows what thousands have proved, that Electric Bitters is a most effective blood purifier. Its an excellent remedy for eczema, tetter, salt rheum, ulcers, boils and running sores. It stimulates liver, kidneys and bowels, expels poisons, helps digestion, builds up the strength. Price 50 cents. Satisfaction guaranteed by Helm & Ellison.

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The Business Men's Club at 1005 1/2 St. Louis, has closed a contract with Edwin T. Lindsey, agent of D. C. Eckman of Chicago, to build a cotton seed oil mill at that place to cost \$12,000.

Mrs. Mary Worth, widow of U. J. Worth died at her home in Moscow Wednesday morning March 30 and the funeral and burial took place at Harmony. She was the second wife of U. J. Worth, the Moscow mill man who died some years ago.





Here are two new Crossetts that have style written all over them.

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It will be of interest, especially in view of this week's experience with high water, to know the various high stages of the Mississippi River in years past. For a part of this record we are indebted to our friend, F. E. Case, who keeps a complete and scientific record of such matters. These figures are those recorded on the gauge at Cairo.

1911 April 19.....	46.5
1908 March 15.....	42.2
1903 March 10.....	46.8
1908 April 2.....	45.1
1907 January 27.....	50.3
1906 April 19.....	47.0
1906 No Overflow.....	
1904.....	about 47 feet
1902 March 15.....	50.6
1901 May 2.....	43.2
1900 March 17.....	39.2
1899 March 31.....	46.2
1898 April 6.....	49.8
1897 March 28.....	51.7
1896 April 13.....	39.2
1895 January 25.....	53.1
1894 February 16.....	37.0
1893 May 13.....	49.3
1892 April 23.....	48.3
1891 March 6.....	46.2
1890 March 15.....	48.8
1889 June 24.....	44.5
1888 April 6.....	45.3
1887 March 19.....	48.6
1886 April 19.....	51.0
1885 January 26.....	39.0
1884 February 24.....	51.8
1883 February 27.....	52.2
1882 February 26.....	51.8

There seems to be a good deal of difference of opinion as to what effect the construction of levees has or will have on the stage of water at Hickman. Some contend that the current of the river is swifter and the water reaches no greater height than before the levees were built; others say the crowding of so much water into a smaller space must of necessity cause the water to reach a greater height here, than formerly. Now Mr. Case has figures which ought to settle this question.

Before the levees were completed, in one instance, the Cairo gauge read 50.3. The level of this water was recorded here. Since the completion of the levees, 48.5 on the Cairo gauge causes the water to reach the same level as formerly reached at the 50.3 stage.

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## Flower Lovers

We will have on display in pot flowers April 3rd

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## GREAT STRIKE AHEAD. Coal Miners Will Tie Up Business of Country.

The country is face to face with the greatest coal strike in its history. Unless the unexpected happens and the operators and miners arrive at some compromise in the meantime, 170,000 anthracite miners will quit work on March 31, and according to President John P. White, of the United Mine Workers of America, 500,000 bituminous miners will walk out with them.

This would result in stopping the coal supply of practically the entire world, with the British and German nationwide strikes simultaneously in progress.

The agreement under which the anthracite miners have been working for the last nine years expires at noon on March 31. If no new agreement is reached by that time, the strike will begin automatically, unless all negotiations between the representatives of operators and miners are broken off entirely before hand, in which case the strike will be directly and definitely ordered by the union officials.

A coal strike of only a few weeks would mean the paralysis of every industry dependent upon coal, including railroads, factories, steamboats, electric light, power and gas companies, entire cities will be plunged into darkness and business in general will come to a standstill. In event that the strike should last for any number of months, the total loss to miners, operators and business in general, would amount to close to the almost unbelievable sum of \$100,000,000.

All of the demands of the miners for changes in the existing agreement have been flatly refused by the operators, who on their part have offered counter propositions that amount practically to the same provisions as the old agreement. The miners demand a twenty per cent increase in wages, recognition of the union and that the operators collect the union dues from the miners by deducting them from their wages; an eight-hour day, guaranteed minimum wage, payment by the ton instead of by the carload, abolishment of the conciliation board which is composed of both miners and operators and that the new agreement be for one year in stead of for three as the operators insist.

## Courier's Home Circle

No matter how your mothers may speak, their hearts are in the right place; if their attire is old-fashioned and their manners not up to the frills of the twentieth century standard, they have had experience of more value than all the schooling and extra accomplishments that you may think of shining excellence. Heed your mother—you will never regret it.

It is the mother of a household whose life is chiefly threatened by monotony. She stays at home. She is always in the house, seeing the same things, hearing the same voices, doing the same work day after day, with endless regularity. The demands upon her time and strength and love and patience are increasing and the wonder is that she does not break down more frequently than is actually the case.

Girls, listen to your mothers; they are your wisest teachers, your best counselors. Even though you have received a college education, and the dear one who in all probability has denied herself to give it to you has never gone beyond the third reader, you can rest assured that it is not book learning that will keep your feet away from many pitfalls that she can warn you from in tender, loving fashion that you will do well to heed.

One reason why some men do not get along better in this world is because they have not the proper stimulation in their homes. Their homes lack those little touches of refinement which bring the best out of them. Neatness and taste are possible in the poorest homes. Let a woman make the atmosphere as dainty as her means allow, and she will raise her husband to the same standard. And as she elevates him the effort is felt upon herself, her children, her home, and her future.

When you want to get your grandest idea of a queen you do not think of Catherine of Russia, or of Anne of England, or Marie Theresa of Germany but when you want to get your grandest idea of a queen you think of the plain woman who sat opposite your father at the table or walked with him arm in arm down life's path way; sometimes to the Thanksgiving banquet, sometimes to the grave, but always together—soothing your petty

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griefs, correcting your childish waywardness, joining in your infantile sports, listening to your evening prayers, tolling for you with needle or at the spinning and on cold nights wrapping you up snug and warm. "Mother! Mother!" Ah, she was a queen.

Many women are martyrs, and yet they do not know it. They shut the sunshine out of their houses and their hearts, they wear veils, they carry parasols, they do all possible to keep off the subtlest and yet most potent influence which is intended to give them strength beauty and cheerfulness.

Do not distrust your friend. You may not always understand his actions and consequently you may not interpret them aright. If he is impulsive he may not always act in accordance with your ideas, he will make mistakes and perhaps stumble by the wayside. But if he is your friend stand up for him and believe in his goodness and virtue and his desire for your welfare. Remember that you cannot see his heart and there is more of nobility and goodness than appears on the surface. You cannot afford to distrust him, for

real friendship is rare. Do not hold yourself aloof from him but encourage him by counsel, precept and example. Help him if he is weak, and encourage him if he falters. His heart will go out in gratitude, and you both will have made the world better.

Would it not be a good plan for the girls in country neighborhoods to form classes and get a competent, experienced dressmaker to teach them the principles of dressmaking. It is a satisfaction to wear well fitting, stylish dresses, though they need not be, and if home-made, would not be, expensive ones. A perfect fitting waist pattern once secured—and this the teacher should be able to give them—endless variety may be made by different materials and modes of trimming. When their course of instruction was finished, the class might subscribe for two or three of the best fashion monthlies and then keep up with the best new modes. They could and should be able to help one another in the parts of fitting that one cannot well do for herself, and be gaining at the same time an art useful to them all their lives.

If all the members of the family

were as courteous and kind to each other as they are to strangers, what a difference it would make in the home atmosphere.

We never knew a man who was faithful to his early and adopted home who was given over at the same time to any gross form of wickedness. If you find more enjoyment in the clubroom, in the literary society, in the art saloon, than you do in these unpretending home pleasures, you are on the road to ruin.

All the elegance in the world will not make a home, and a spoonful of love exceeds whole ship loads of furniture and all the gorgeousness the world can gather.

A good treatment for a cold settled in the lungs is a HERRICK'S RED PEPPER POROUS PLASTER applied to the chest to draw out inflammation and BALLARD'S HOREHOUND SYRUP to relax tightness. You get the two remedies for the price of one by buying the dollar size Horehound Syrup; there is a porous plaster free with each bottle. Sold by Hickman Drug Co.

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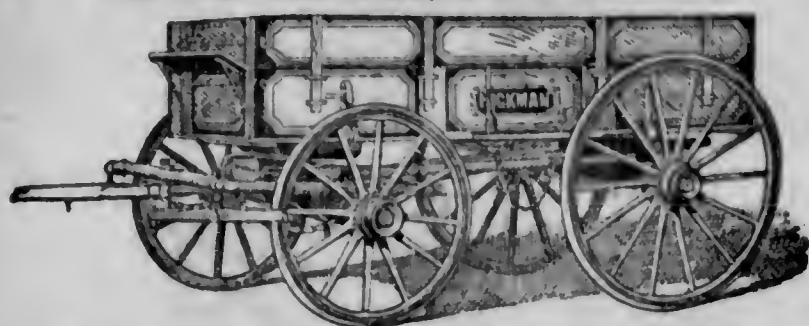
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## Religion as Satisfaction

By Rev. Hugh T. Kerr,  
Pastor of Fullerton Avenue  
Presbyterian Church, Chicago

TEXT—One thing thou lackest.—Mark  
M.H.

This is a character study in black and white. The picture is drawn by a determined hand and there is no hint of hesitation. Stroke follows stroke until the complete portrait is before us. The story is as complete as it is concise. It begins in comedy and ends in tragedy. The young man, impulsive, optimistic and temperamentally enthusiastic, hurries breathlessly into the presence of Jesus with the long bushy question of his heart upon his lips, and then when our hopes for him are highest we behold him making what Dante calls "The Great Refusal" and returns to his old life as ill at ease and with his heart as hungry as ever.

Let us not misunderstand this young man. He was no comedian trifling with sacred things and then casting them thoughtlessly away from him. He was intense, enthusiastic, a nobleman at heart, and when Jesus looked upon him he felt in love with him. He had climbed the ladder of lawful ambition, and while still a young man was in the council of the elders. Honor did not spoil the humility of his heart, and in the presence of the Master he bowed in graceful reverence. Richly endowed with worldly wealth, he was still more richly endowed with a nature rich in the virtues that make for righteousness.

Jesus was intensely interested in this young man. We read that "He loved him." I think he was interested in him on account of his youth. Christ and young manhood, as has been said, are as magnet and steel. This young man had all his life to live. The years with all their possible achievements were still before him.

Christ was interested in this young man because he was rich. Riches and wealth meant power, and power is another name for responsibility. Jesus spoke hard words about rich men and about rich men who loved money, who trusted in money, who because of their money forgot about God. Jesus, however, did not despise a man because he was rich. He loved the rich young ruler. It was a rich man who begged his lifeless body as it hung unclaimed upon the cross. Two rich men took his dead body and wrapped it tenderly in the choicest of linen and laid it away in a costly sepulcher.

Jesus knows and recognizes no class. Riches and poverty to him are but the tools with which character fashions circumstances. "The man's the gold for a' that." It is written of him that "he made his grave with the rich in his death." There is pathos and tragedy in that sentence. "Must the Master wait till death to dwell in the habitations of the rich? May he not make his abode with the rich in his life? Let the rich man open the door and Christ will enter in to share his lonely isolation, and will satisfy the hunger of his heart."

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